

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

MINUTES

DECEMBER 6, 2001

DR. H. JERRY STONE  
CHAIRMAN

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA



The following constitute minutes of the Commission Meeting  
and are not a verbatim transcript of the proceedings.

Tapes of the meetings are kept at the  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
2000 Quail Drive

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70808

For more information, call (225) 765-2806



AGENDA  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA  
DECEMBER 6, 2001

	Page
1. Roll Call	1
2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001	1
3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation	1
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report	2
5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November	3
6. Resolution - Maurepas Swamp WMA, Western Tract	4
7. Resolution - Atchafalaya Delta WMA	16
8. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season	20
9. Division Report - Waterfowl Migration/Hunting	33
10. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman	34
11. Set April 2002 Meeting Date	35
12. Public Comments	35
13. Adjournment	37



MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

Thursday, December 6, 2001

Chairman H. Jerry Stone presiding.

Terry Denmon  
Lee Felterman  
Tom Gattle  
Tom Kelly  
Norman McCall

Secretary James H. Jenkins, Jr. was also present.

Commissioner Bill Busbice was absent from the meeting.

Chairman Stone called for a motion for approval of the **November 1, 2001 Commission Minutes**. A motion for approval was made by Commissioner Kelly and seconded by Commissioner Denmon. The motion passed with no opposition.

Mr. Jim Patton began the **Employee Recognition Awards Presentation** by stating this program was established this year after Civil Service changed their regulations to allow agencies to give outstanding employee awards. Under Civil Service, four different kinds of awards can be given and the Department has followed their ways. The first award is the Customer Service Award and is presented to employees that has provided customers with quality service and assistance. There can only be one employee per office. Next is the Special Achievement by a Team Award and is presented to recognize outstanding job performance in a team effort. Then is the Employee of the Year Award presented to those with overall outstanding job performance that consistently exceeds expectations. This performance is based in part on Civil Service's Performance Planning and Review system. The final award is the Secretary's Award and is chosen by the Secretary for those employees who should be recognized for their excellence and outstanding accomplishments on behalf of the Department. A committee of employees was formed to screen all nominees, determine which ones were the best and then make a recommendation to



Secretary Jenkins. Mr. Patton then announced the members of that Committee followed by the award recipients. Customer Service Award recipients for 2001 were Judy Bruetting, Office of Management and Finance; Jan Bowman, Office of Fisheries; Harold Hall, Office of Wildlife and Sametha Isaac, Office of Secretary. Recipients of the Team Award, from the Enforcement Division, are Guy Adams and Cullen Sellers. Employee of the Year recipients were Keith Hemsteter, Office of Wildlife; Susan Hawkins, Office of Wildlife; Virginia Perry, Office of Fisheries; Ben Foster, Office of Secretary; and Midori Melancon, Office of Management and Finance. Secretary Jenkins then announced the recipients of the Secretary's Awards. He explained that the first employee has had to shift his job duties and work on making the Department money by tackling the problem with minerals and has successfully gathered several millions of dollars for the Department. This recipient was Mike Windham, Office of Wildlife. The second employee has helped harass the federal government out of a couple of million dollars and has handled legislation for the Department. This recipient was Jeff Mayne. Chairman Stone expressed congratulations to all of the recipients on behalf of the Commission.

Mr. Jim Patton stated after giving out Customer Service Awards, it seemed appropriate to give a **2001 Customer Service Assessment Report**. This initiative began last year by Governor Foster and a plan is to be in place for each agency. Then a report is to be developed explaining what the agency has learned each year on Customer Service. A copy of the report was provided to each Commission Member. The first slide was a pie chart on the distribution of comments received on Customer Service. The Internet is by far the most effective way to collect this information. The next slide showed the 5 categories of responses received, and they included complaints, compliments, requests, suggestions and comments. Then shown was the results of customers that rated the Department via Internet. An excellent rating of 37 percent was received and another 23 percent rated the Department as good. The next slide was a comparison chart of the Internet responses with those of a public opinion poll taken in March 2000. A survey is conducted at National Hunting and Fishing Day each year and results showed the vast majority of the people polled rated the Department from good to excellent. The Internet results of the way Customer Service was delivered to the public was the next slide shown. The report card showed mainly "B" grades for those categories, except satisfaction's grade was low. Then results from traditional survey cards showed similar grades except scored the satisfaction category with an 84 percent. The last graph showed 92



percent of the people surveyed at Bodcau WMA felt the Department was fulfilling its position. Secretary Jenkins stated Mr. Patton was doing an excellent job. He added Governor Foster and Mr. Terry Ryder complimented Mr. Patton and the Department for the job done on a report requested by the Governor from all agencies. Mr. Patton's report will serve as a model to show the other agencies. Secretary Jenkins then expressed his appreciation to Mr. Patton.

The **Monthly Law Enforcement Report for November** was given by Major Keith LaCaze. The following numbers of citations were issued during November.

Region I - Minden - 104 citations and 9 warning.

Region II - Monroe - 137 citations and 23 warnings.

Region III - Alexandria - 174 citations and 40 warnings. Major LaCaze then announced Sgt. Peter Oliver was promoted to the Captain's position vacated by the retirement of Captain Brian Poston.

Region IV - Ferriday - 71 citations and 7 warnings.

Region V - Lake Charles - 160 citations and 9 warnings.

Region VI - Opelousas - 149 citations and 44 warnings.

Region VII - Baton Rouge - 134 citations and 13 warnings.

Region VIII - New Orleans - 141 citations and 32 warnings.

Region IX - Schriever - 164 citations and 17 warnings.

Oyster Strike Force - 44 citations.

Seafood Investigation Unit - 19 citations.

SWEP - 23 citations.

Refuge Patrol - 25 citations and 8 warnings.

The grand total of citations issued statewide for the month of November was 1,345. Also there were 202 warning citations issued statewide. The aviation report for November 2001 showed enforcement pilots flew three airplanes a total of 49.5 hours for



enforcement and 35.5 hours for other divisions. Three citations were issued and one search and rescue mission was successfully made. Then Major LaCaze announced a total of 2,407 students received their hunter education certificates for the month. As a special note, Magistrate Methvin with the Federal Courts in Lafayette ordered two offenders to each make a \$2,000 contribution to Operation Game Thief. Chairman Stone asked if it would be proper to send a letter expressing appreciation to the Magistrate? Major LaCaze stated it would be handled. Commissioner Gattle asked if there have been any hunting accidents? Major LaCaze stated there have been six accidents with three being fatalities. He then explained several of the incidences.

Lt. Col. Charlie Clark then explained the life saving incident that allowed the recognition of Sgt. Sellers and Senior Agent Adams. They were called to a scene in Lake Maurepas where one boat was sunk and another boat hit a wave and threw two adults out leaving an 18 month old baby pinned inside running wide open. With Sgt. Sellers driving the boat, Sr. Agent Adams was able to leap onto the runaway boat and rescue the baby. This incident was also submitted to the Carnegie National Hero Award Committee and they will be the recipients of the Carnegie Medal of Honor as well as a monetary award. Chairman Stone congratulated the agents on behalf of the Commission.

Moving on, Chairman Stone asked Mr. Randy Myers to present the **Resolution - Maurepas Swamp WMA, Western Tract**. At the August 2001 Meeting, a resolution was adopted formally accepting the Maurepas Swamp and establishing it as a WMA. The first donation in August was for 23,000 acres and then an additional 38,000 acres was donated in September. This resolution was to officially adopt the western tract and establish it as part of the WMA. It also establishes that all water bodies and state-owned lands within that area be part of the WMA. Private docks and piers that are on state water bodies which are attached to private property are not included in the WMA. Just during the month of November, over 1,600 users checked in at the voluntary check stations and over 100 deer have been killed on the area. Mr. Myers then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Denmon asked if the first resolution included privately-owned piers exception? Mr. Myers answered no, the majority of the piers are on the Blind River which is in the western tract. Commissioner Gattle made a motion to accept the Resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Kelly. The motion passed with no opposition.



(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
MAUREPAS SWAMP WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

WHEREAS, by Act of Donation, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission have acquired title to a certain tract of land, comprising 38,314 acres, more or less, located in Ascension and St. James Parishes. The Act of Donation was accepted on August 21, 2001 and is filed in the Clerk of Court's Records, St. James Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 113427, Conveyance Book 367, and in Ascension Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 494735.

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance wildlife habitat in the state and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands that they be established as a wildlife management area and added to the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area established by resolution of this Commission on August 8, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the further recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission select all state-owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the above described property description and all state-owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property description of the property previously established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area and establish all such lands as a wildlife management area and include all such state-owned lands, including water bottoms, in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

WHEREAS, this area represents one of the largest bald cypress-tupelo gum swamps in the state, and the protection of these wetlands is critical to the State's conservation efforts.



THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, the above described property as a wildlife management area and adds it to and includes it in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby select, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, all state-owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property described above and all state-owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the previously established Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area as a wildlife management area and adds them to and includes them in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is hereby made up of and includes all the property donated as described above; all the property donated and established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area by resolution of this Commission dated August 8, 2001; and all state-owned lands, including water bottoms, located within those two donated property descriptions, and totals 63,000 acres, more or less, and is located in parts of Ascension, St. James, and St. John the Baptist Parishes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that privately-owned piers, docks, or other encumbrances extending from privately-owned land into state-owned waters which are a part of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area shall, for the purposes of wildlife and fisheries management, be considered part of the privately-owned land and not part of the Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this property shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to take whatever actions are necessary in furtherance of establishing the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

A description of the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is attached hereto and included in the minutes of the Commission.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

\_\_\_\_\_  
James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

Township 10 South, Range 6 East:

All of Sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 less and except the ownership of  
minerals, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, and 35  
E/2 of Section 17  
E 66.8 acres of Section 18  
E/2 of W/2 and E/2 of E/2 of Section 32

Township 11 South, Range 6 East:

All of Section 84  
E/2 of Section 89  
NE/4 of Section 91  
E/2 of Section 96 otherwise described as Lots 1, 2, and 6 of  
Section 96

Township 10 South, Range 7 East:

All of Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34,  
35 and 36  
S/2 of Section 22

Township 11 South, Range 7 East:

All of Sections 1, 2, and 4  
All of Section 3, except SE/4 of SW/4  
N/2 of NE/4 of Section 11



Township 10 South, Range 8 East:

S/2 of S/2 of Section 31

Township 11 South, Range 8 East:

All of Section 6, except N/2 of NE/4 and SE/4 of NE/4

ASCENSION PARISH

Township 10 South, Range 6 East:

E/2 of Section 17

Township 10 South Range 4 East:

NE/4 and E/2 of NW/4 of Section 34 North of Parish Line

Township 10 South Range 5 East:

SW/4 of NW/4, SW/4, and Lots 4, 5, 7 and 10 of Section 5, and Section 6 except Lot 1, LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Willard J. Cointment, Jr., et ux	09/24/81	186661	4.52 acres in Secs. 5 & 6, T10S, R5E

SW/4 of SE/4, W/2, and Lots 2, 3, 6, 7 and 8 in Section 8  
Lots 4, 5 and 6 of Section 9  
Lots 11, 12, 13, and 14 of Section 15, LESS AND EXCEPT, the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
John E. Abreo	9/16/75	138485	0.172 acres +/-, in Sec. 15, T10S, R5E
Edward B. East	9/16/75	138486	0.172 acres +/-, in Sec. 15 T10S, R5E



James A. Collier	12/29/76	147296	0.46 acres +/-, in Sec. 15, T10S, R5E
Vernon Guitrau	11/13/74	132683	0.50 acres +/- in Sec. 15, T10S, R5E

Lots 2 and 3, the W/2 of NE/4, SE/4 and W/2 of Section 16  
 Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11 and 12 and SW/4 of Section 21,  
 LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property  
 described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Elmo J. Bourgeois, et al	03/29/75	135825	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Eric G. St. Pierre	12/29/76	147297	0.46 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Bryan G. Zeringue, et al	10/17/80	178786	1.0 acre +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Charles Duhe	10/17/80	178787	1.0 acre +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Garen P. DeRoche	08/25/88	265794	0.23 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Leon J. Abreo, et ux	10/21/89	282010	0.46 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E

Lot 2 of Section 22, LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral  
 interests in the property described in the sale made to Vendee by  
 the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Nolan J. Matherne, et al	10/17/80	178788	1.0 acre +/-, in Sec. 22, T10S, R5E

Section 7  
 Section 17  
 Section 18



Section 19

Section 20

All of Section 37 within parish, LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Roy M. Bourgeois, Sr., et al	09/18/74	131556	0.183 acres +/- in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
James LeBlanc	09/18/74	131553	0.160 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Joseph L. Rizzuto	09/19/74	131554	0.229 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Aubrey A. St. Pierre	09/19/74	131552	0.145 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gerald J. Bourgeois, et al	09/19/74	131555	0.172 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Henry P. Mire	09/23/74	131557	0.275 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gibson J. Simoneaux	10/28/74	132684	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Ernest J. Laurent, et al	11/13/74	132685	0.229 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Vernon Guitrau	11/13/74	132683	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Craig B. Calcagno	03/13/75	134270	0.229 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Steve S. Tramonte	03/14/75	134192	0.206 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Eddie J. Bleakley	03/17/75	134193	0.115 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Harris G. Louque, Sr., et al	03/21/75	134269	0.206 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Henry D. Beech	01/24/77	148030	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E



Allen M. Duhe	09/20/79	170377	0.516 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gilbert H. Maurin	09/13/79	170378	0.516 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Alvey Dee Jenkins, et al	10/17/84	217311	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Kerry J. Combre	10/17/84	217312	0.464 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Robert J. Synder	08/15/80	192580	0.225 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Michael C. Becnel, et ux	02/23/89	265795	0.28 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard G. Daigle, et ux	02/23/89	265796	0.206 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E

#### ASCENSION AND ST. JAMES PARISHES

##### Townships 11 & 12 South, Range 5 East:

A non-exclusive predial servitude of passage in favor of the West Lutchter Moore Tract to the extent it is situated in St. James and Ascension Parishes, on, over and across the following described property to-wit:

The East fifty (50) feet of Sections 84 and 32 Township 11 South Range 5 East and Section 35 Township 12 South Range 5 East extending from the section line between Sections 80 and 84 in Township 11 South Range 5 East to the left descending bank of the Mississippi River in Section 35 Township 12 South Range 5 East

#### ST. JAMES PARISH

##### Township 10 South, Range 4 East:

All of Section 35 and 36  
NE/4 and E/2 of NW/4 of Section 34 (South of Parish Line)

##### Township 11 South, Range 4 East:



All of Sections 41, 42, 43, 44, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55 and 75, LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Grand Point Hunting Club	09/28/76	44025	0.2 acres +/-, in Sec. 53, T11S, R4E

Lots 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of Section 73

E/2 and NW/4 of Section 74

N/2, N/2 of SW/4 and SE/4 of SW/4 of Section 76

All of Sections 28, 29 and 30, from 65 to 80 Arpent Line from the left descending bank of the Mississippi River

Township 10 South, Range 5 East:

All of Sections 31 and 32 and all of Section 30 South of Parish Line

Township 11 South, Range 5 East:

All of Sections 71, 72, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79 and 80

All of Section 73 LESS AND EXCEPT: that one certain 31.6411 acre tract of land located on the West bank of Blind River and North of U.S. Highway 61, conveyed by Lutchter & Moore Cypress Lumber Company to St. James Boat Club, Inc. by deed dated February 19, 1974, and recorded under Entry No. 38043 in Conveyance Book 169 of the records of St. James Parish.

LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in that certain sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Alvin J. Robert	04/11/90	80291	2.02 acres +/-, in Section 73, T11S, R5E

KAISER TRACT



That certain piece, parcel or tract of land, together with all buildings and improvements thereon and all rights, ways and privileges thereunto appertaining, being, lying and situated in St. James Parish, Louisiana, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Being 400 acres located in Sections 43 and 190, Township 11 South, Range 5 East, St. James Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows: Begin at a point where the 80 arpent line intersects the section line which is common to Sections 43 and 190 and said point is designated as point (c) on a survey for Kaiser Engineers, Mount Airy Sport Golden Grove, St. John - St. James Parishes, Louisiana, T11S, R5 & 6E, S.E. Dist. of Louisiana-East of River, prepared by the office of F. C. Gandolfo, Jr. Engineering and Surveying, dated April 7, 1958; thence run North 79 degrees 24' 39.0" East a distance of 2212.55 feet to a point and corner; which said point is on the common line dividing St. James Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish; thence run South 11 degrees 43' 33.0" East a distance of 3367.25 feet along the said common line dividing St. James Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish to a point and corner; thence run South 72 degrees 56' 2.3" West a distance of 5,013.55 feet to a point and corner; thence run North 13 degrees 23' 59.0" West a distance of 2333.14 feet to a point which is on the easterly right-of-way line of Highway 641; thence run along the easterly right of way of Highway 641 North 2 degrees 56' 54.7" East along a curve having a distance along a chord of 1045.44 feet and an arc of 1045.81 feet to a point; thence run North 5 degrees 34' 49.0" East a distance of 45.47 feet to a point; thence run North 67 degrees 16' 04" East a distance of 2615.93 feet back to the point of beginning.

Townships 10 & 11 South, Ranges 5 & 6 East:

All of Sections 36, 37, 43 and 49 (all of Lobdell Tract and Allen Thomas Tract South of Parish Line),

(a) LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:



<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Thomas J. Kliebert	09/09/74	39569	1.0 acre, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
N. J. Madere, et al	09/09/74	39699	0.1830 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Rene J. Zeringue	09/09/74	39701	1.0 acre, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Valfred J. Amato	09/09/74	39700	0.2763 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Robert Alito, et al	09/18/74	39876	0.1830 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Live Cambre	09/18/74	39697	0.2750 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Valfred J. Amato	09/19/74	39875	0.3210 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Allen P. Rouillier, Sr.	09/19/74	39698	0.2410 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Harold G. Wahl	10/24/74	40023	0.4290 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Charles C. Melancon	11/07/74	40022	0.3440 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Curtis J. DeRoche	01/07/75	40326	0.4650 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
John C. Lanoux	01/15/75	40325	0.5850 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Dennis J. Landry, et al	04/14/75	40803	0.2060 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Wallace A. Poche	06/30/75	41233	0.0820 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Eric P. Louque	01/22/76	42646	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Nolan J. Marse, Sr.	07/15/75	42647	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E



Earl J. Bouvier, Sr. et al	04/30/76	42899	0.1720 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Hamilton J. Deroche, et al	01/21/77	44742	0.1720 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Russell J. Bourgeois, et al	04/26/77	46897	0.1720 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gary M. Louque, et al	04/26/77	46898	0.1320 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Henry D. Beech	01/23/78	47932	1.0 acre, being Lot 6, in Tennessee Williams Campsite Subdivision Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
The John W. Mecom Trust, Trust No. 6	01/17/78	47933	66.6600 acres, being lots 1 & 2 Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Martha DeRoche	05/18/84	65948	.07 acres in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Robert J. Snyder	07/10/80	55448	.225 acres +/- in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Matilda Gray Stream	01/23/78	47934	24.6200 acres, being Lots 3 & 4, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
John C. Camp	01/23/78	47935	2.00 acres, being Lots 5 & 7, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Harold H. Stream, III	01/23/78	47936	8.800 acres, being Lots 9, 12, 13, 16, 17, 20, 21 & 24, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Mary Evelyn Oglesby	01/23/78	47937	1.00 acres, being Lot 8, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Edward M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47938	2.200 acres, being Lots 10 & 11, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E



Virginia M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47939	2.200 acres, being Lots 14 & 15, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Maura M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47940	1.100 acres, being Lot 22, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Pierre A. Carmouche	12/22/77	47941	1.100 acres, being Lot 18, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Virginia C. Derouen	12/22/77	47942	1.100 acres, being Lot 19, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Edward M. Carmouche, Jr.	12/22/77	47943	1.100 acres, being Lot 23, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Hamilton J. DeRoche	01/26/79	50989	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard J. Duhe	10/17/84	67473	1.0 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Hamilton J. DeRoche	03/23/81	57203	.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Martha DeRoche	05/16/84	65948	0.07 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard J. Duhe		67473	1.0 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E

Then Mr. Randy Myers handled the next item, a **Resolution - Atchafalaya Delta WMA**. Since 1977, the Department has actively managed both the shallow waters and accreted lands of the Atchafalaya Bay. This resolution will confirm the existence of these lands as well as the growing delta and surrounding waters as part of the WMA. Mr. Myers then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle asked if this area was already a WMA and was this to make sure it remains a WMA? Mr. Myers stated yes and to clarify that the existing waters and accreting lands within the boundary is included in the WMA. Commissioner Felterman made a motion to accept the Resolution. Commissioner McCall seconded the motion and it passed with no opposition.



(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
ATCHAFALAYA DELTA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

- WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is a major wintering and staging area for waterfowl and other neo-tropical migrants, and annually attracts hundreds of thousands of ducks and geese, and
- WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is also an important fisheries estuary and nursery waters for a wide variety of fish and other aquatic organisms, and
- WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is owned by the state, in trust for the benefit of the citizens of the State, and is a prime waterfowl hunting and fishing area for many of Louisiana's hunters and fishermen, and
- WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is comprised of approximately 125,000 acres, the vast majority of which, about 90%, is shallow water bottom, with the rest, or approximately 12,000 acres, being land formed by accretion, and
- WHEREAS, since 1977, the entirety of Atchafalaya Bay, both the shallow water bottom and the accreted land, has been actively managed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission as the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area, and
- WHEREAS, in order to ensure that these properties remain perpetually dedicated for the purpose of maintaining such properties as a wildlife management area, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance hunting and fishing opportunity to the people of the State and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands, including water bottoms, that they remain selected and established as a wildlife management area named the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, in accordance with the laws of the State of



Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 and 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, does hereby confirm that all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within Atchafalaya Bay, as more particularly described on Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof, have been selected and are and have been established as a wildlife management area named the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this wildlife management area shall be used and maintained for the benefit of the citizens of the state and shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the leasing of any such lands, including water bottoms, for the exploration or production of minerals; provided that such activities shall recognize the prevailing use of the lands, including water bottoms, as a wildlife management area and shall provide reasonable restrictions on such mineral activity to assure compatibility therewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the United States Government, as represented by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, from performing any dredging work, or from beneficially depositing any materials in the Atchafalaya Bay area in the interest of flood control or navigation, provided however, that such activities shall recognize the prevailing use of the lands, including water bottoms, as a wildlife management area and be compatible therewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes and empowers the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to take all actions necessary in furtherance of confirming the establishment the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.



Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION ON ATCHAFALAYA DELTA WMA

December 6, 2001

The Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area is described as follows:

A certain portion of Atchafalaya Bay, belonging to the State of Louisiana and designated an "arm of the sea" by L.S.A. R.S. 38:2356 M(2) including all present or former beds and areas of navigable waters or the shores within the area hereafter described, and also, but not by limitation, all islands except those islands, if any, which may be owned or leased by the United States Government or its agencies, and all present and future depositions of shell, sand, or silt and present or future emerging lands created thereby; which portion of Atchafalaya Bay is bounded by a line described more fully, to wit:

From a point, with Louisiana Plane Coordinate System, South Zone coordinates of X=1,930,619 ft., Y=309,763 ft., which marks the mean low water line of the extreme tip of Point Chevreuil in St. Mary Parish, T-17-S, R-9-E, as depicted on Map No. 3 of 5, entitled "Point Chevreuil" of the Set of 54 Maps of the Louisiana Coast, submitted into evidence as Exhibit No. 119 in Number 9 Original, United States of America v. State of Louisiana, et al., [which set of maps is hereinafter referred to as the "Set of 54 Maps"]; thence to the mean high water mark of the extreme tip of Point Chevreuil, which is the point of beginning; thence from the point of beginning, proceed northeasterly along the mean high water line to the westernmost entrance point of the Wax Lake Outlet; thence in a straight line across the mouth of Wax Lake Outlet to Belle Isle Point; thence following the mean high water line, easterly, closing off all bayous, to the easternmost point of Shell Island; thence by a straight closing line across the Atchafalaya River to the northernmost headland of Deer Island Bayou; thence closing the mouth of Deer Island Bayou to the tip of the southern headlands; thence following the mean high water line to the northernmost headland of Four League Bay, thence southerly by straight closing line across Four League Bay to the northernmost point of South Point; thence following the mean high water line along the coast to



Point au Fer to that point with the assigned coordinates of X=1,993,420 ft., Y=241,930 ft., depicted on Map No. 1 of 5, "Point au Fer", of the "Set of 54 Maps"; thence along a line connecting said point on Point au Fer with a point on Mound Point on Marsh Island with the coordinates of X=1,845,475 ft., Y=293,595 ft., depicted on Map No. 4 of 5, "Marsh Island S.E.", of the "Set of 54 Maps", to that point where said line between Point au Fer and Mound Point intersects a north-south line with a constant coordinate value of X=1,930,619 ft., on the Louisiana Plane Coordinate System, South Zone; thence north to the point of the mean low water line of Point Chevreuil with coordinates X=1,930,619 ft., Y=309,763 ft., described herein above; thence to the point of beginning; which points, and mean high water line constituting the boundaries of the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area are depicted on the "Set of 54 Maps" identified herein, which maps are made a part hereof by specific reference.

**A Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season** was given by Mr. Tommy Prickett. A Notice of Intent was promulgated in August and now was the time to ratify that rule. A number of public hearings have been held. The biggest changes from the 2001 season was reducing the bird bag limit from three to two and recommending a statewide opening date of March 30. After hearing public comments, the Commission decided to change that opening date to March 23 for the 2002 season. Mr. Prickett then read the following season dates: Area A - March 23 - April 21; Area B - March 23 - April 14 and Area C - March 23 - March 31. This change did not result in any cut on the season length, but moved the season opener a week earlier. The last change was expanding the youth lottery hunts from just Loggy Bayou and Big Lake WMAs to include Fort Polk, Bens Creek, Sherburne and West Bay WMAs. Mr. Prickett then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Denmon made a motion to accept the Resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Gattle. The motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution and Rule are made a part of the record.)

#### RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

December 6, 2001



The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, December 6, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting a season in 2002 for turkeys, and

WHEREAS, authority to establish seasons, bag limits, possession limits and other rules and regulations for the hunting, taking and possession of any species of wild game birds is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of wild turkeys and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all available biological information, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rules, regulations, season dates, and bag limits affecting sport hunting of wild turkeys are hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

\_\_\_\_\_  
James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

#### RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby amend the turkey rules and regulations for the 2002 season.

#### Title 76

#### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

#### Part XIX. Hunting and WMA Regulations



## Chapter 1. Resident Game Hunting Season

### §113. Turkey Hunting Regulations

A. Daily limit is one gobbler, two gobblers per season. Still hunting only. Use of dogs, baiting, electronic calling devices and live decoys is illegal. Turkeys may be hunted with shotguns, including muzzleloading shotguns, using shot not larger than #2 lead or BB steel shot, and bow and arrow but by no other means. Shooting turkeys from a moving or stationary vehicle is prohibited. Shotguns capable of holding more than three shells prohibited.

B. No person shall hunt, trap or take turkeys by the aid of baiting or on or over any baited area. Baiting means placing, exposing, depositing or scattering of corn (shelled, shucked or unshucked), wheat or other grain, salt, or other feed so as to constitute a lure, attraction or enticement to, on or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take turkeys.

C. A baited area is any area where corn (shelled, shucked or unshucked), wheat or other grain, salt, or other feed capable of luring, attracting or enticing turkeys is directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed or scattered. Such areas remain baited areas for 15 days following complete removal of all such corn, wheat or other grain, salt, or other feed.

D. Wildlife agents are authorized to close such baited areas and to place signs in the immediate vicinity designating closed zones and dates of closure.

E. The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries strongly discourages feeding agricultural grains to wild turkeys as this practice increases the risk of birds contracting potentially lethal diseases. Repeatedly placing grain in the same area may expose otherwise healthy birds to disease contaminated soils, grain containing lethal toxins and other diseased turkeys using the same feeding site. Properly distributed food plots (clovers, wheat, millet and chufa) are far more desirable for turkeys and have the added benefit of appealing to a wide variety of wildlife.

F. It is unlawful to take from the wild or possess in captivity any live wild turkeys or their eggs. No pen raised turkeys from within or without the state shall be liberated (released) within the state.



G. All licensed turkey hunters are required to have a Turkey Stamp in their possession while turkey hunting in addition to basic and big game hunting licenses. Additionally, a WMA Hunting Permit is required of any person (age 18-59) who hunts on land administered by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, including Wildlife Management Areas, Wildlife Refuges, and Habitat Conservation Areas.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 25:2263 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2634 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

**§115. Statewide Turkey Hunting Areas-Resident Game Birds and Animals**

A. Shooting hours: one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

SPECIES	SEASON DATES	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Turkey	See Schedule	1	2/season

B. Turkey Hunting Schedule

AREA	SEASON DATES
A	March 23 - April 21
B	March 23 - April 14
C	March 23 - March 31

C. 2002 Turkey Hunting Season - Open Only in the Following Areas

1. Area A - March 23 - April 21

a. All of the following parishes are open:

- i. East Baton Rouge;
- ii. East Feliciana;



- iii. LaSalle;
- iv. Livingston;
- v. Natchitoches (Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates);
- vi. Pointe Coupee (Exception: see Sherburne WMA for special dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne boundaries);
- vii. St. Helena;
- viii. St. Tammany;
- ix. Tangipahoa;
- x. Washington;
- xi. West Baton Rouge;
- xii. West Feliciana (including Raccourci Island).

b. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

- i. Allen: North of LA 26 from DeRidder to the junction of LA 104 and north of LA 104;
- ii. Avoyelles: That portion bounded on the east by the Atchafalaya River, on the north by Red River to the Brouillette Community, on the west by LA 452 from Brouillette to LA 1, on the south by LA 1, eastward to Hamburg, thence by the West Atchafalaya Basin Protection levee southward;
- iii. Beauregard: North of LA 26 east of DeRidder, north and east of US 171-190 from the junction of LA 26 to DeRidder, and north of US 190 from DeRidder to Texas state line;
- iv. Caldwell: West of Ouachita River southward to Catahoula Parish line, east of LA 165 from LaSalle Parish line to the junction of LA 126, north of LA 126 westward to the Winn Parish line;



v. Catahoula: West of Ouachita River southward to LA 559 at Duty Ferry, north of LA 559 to LA 124, south and west of LA 124 from Duty Ferry to LA 8 at Harrisonburg and north of LA 8 to LA 126, north and east of LA 126. ALSO that portion lying east of LA 15;

vi. Concordia: That portion east of LA 15 and west of US 65 from its juncture with LA 15 at Clayton;

vii. Evangeline: North and west of LA 115, north of LA 106 from St. Landry to LA 13, west of LA 13 from Pine Prairie to Mamou and north of LA 104 west of Mamou;

viii. Franklin: That portion lying east of LA 17 and east of LA 15 from its juncture with LA 17 at Winnsboro;

ix. Grant: All of the parish except that portion of land that lies north of the Red River between US 71 and LA 8. Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates;

x. Iberville: West of LA 1. EXCEPTION: see Sherburne WMA for special season dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne boundaries;

xi. Madison: That portion lying west of US 65 and south of US 80;

xii. Rapides: All of the parish except that portion of lands that lies north of the Red River and south of US 71 from its juncture with the Red River northward to the Grant Parish line. Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest season dates;

xiii. Richland: That portion south of US 80 and east of LA 17;

xiv. Sabine: That portion north of LA 6 from Toledo Bend Lake to Many; east of US 171 from Many to the Vernon Parish line;

xv. St. Landry: That portion bounded on the west by the West Atchafalaya Basin Protection Levee and on the east by the Atchafalaya River. EXCEPTION: the Indian Bayou Area, see Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Indian Bayou Area dates;



xvi. Upper St. Martin: All within the Atchafalaya Basin. EXCEPTIONS: Sherburne WMA and Indian Bayou Area, see WMA Turkey Hunting Schedule for special season dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne WMA boundaries and see Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Indian Bayou dates;

xvii. Tensas: That portion west of US 65 from the Concordia Parish line to its juncture with LA 128, north of LA 128 to St. Joseph; west and north of LA 605, 604 and 3078 northward to Port Gibson Ferry. Also all lands east of the main channel of the Mississippi River;

xviii. Vernon: That portion east of US 171 from the Sabine Parish line to the junction of LA 111, south of LA 111 westward to LA 392, and south of LA 392 westward to the Sabine Parish line. Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest season dates.

2. Area B - March 23 - April 14

a. All of the following parishes are open:

i. Bienville;

ii. Bossier;

iii. Caddo;

iv. Claiborne;

v. DeSoto; \_

vi. Lincoln;

vii. Red River;

viii. Union;

ix. Webster (Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates);

x. Winn (Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates);



b. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Allen: South and west of LA 26 from DeRidder to US 190 east of Elton, north of US 190 from the junction of LA 26 to Kinder and west of US 165 south of Kinder;

ii. Beauregard: South of LA 26 east of DeRidder, east of US 171 from the junction of LA 26 and south of LA 12 west of Ragley;

iii. Calcasieu: South of LA 12 east of DeQuincy, east of LA 27 from DeQuincy to I-10 and North of I-10 east of Sulphur;

iv. East Carroll: East of US 65 from Arkansas state line to Madison Parish line;

v. Jackson: West of Parish Road 243 from Lincoln Parish line to Parish Road 238, west and south of Parish Road 238 to LA 144, west of LA 144 to LA 34, west of LA 34 to Chatham, north and west of LA 4 from Chatham to Weston, north and west of LA 505 from Weston to Wyatt, west of US 167 from Wyatt to Winn Parish line;

vi. Jefferson Davis: North of US 190 from junction with LA 26 to Kinder, west of US 165 and north of I-10 west from junction of US 165;

vii. Ouachita: East of LA 143 from Union Parish line to US 80 in West Monroe, north of US 80 to LA 139, west of LA 139 to the Morehouse Parish line;

viii. Morehouse: West of US 165 from the Arkansas line to Bonita, north and west of LA 140 to junction of LA 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road), west of LA 830-4 to US 165, north of US 165 to LA 139, west of LA 139 to Ouachita Parish line;

3. Area C - March 23 - March 31

a. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Ascension: All east of the Mississippi River;



ii. Catahoula: That portion lying south of Deer Creek to Boeuf River, east of Boeuf and Ouachita Rivers to LA 8 at Harrisonburg, west of LA 8 to LA 913, west of LA 913 and LA 15 to Deer Creek;

iii. Concordia: North and east of Sugar Mill Chute (Concordia Parish) from the state line westward to Red River, east of Red River northward to Cocodrie Bayou, east of Cocodrie Bayou northward to US 84, south of US 84 eastward to LA 15 (Ferriday), east of LA 15 northward to US 65 (Clayton), east of US 65 northward to Tensas Parish line;

iv. Franklin: That portion lying west of LA 17, from Richland Parish line to LA 577 at Crowville, north of LA 577 to LA 15 at Baskin, east of LA 15 to Big Creek, and south and east of Big Creek to Richland Parish line;

v. Iberville: All east of the Mississippi River;

vi. Madison: South of US 80 and east of US 65 to Tensas Parish line and all lands lying east of the main channel of the Mississippi River;

vii. Richland: West of LA 17 from Franklin Parish line to Ringle Rd., south of Ringle Rd. to Ferguson Rd., south of Ferguson Rd. to Little Rd., south of Little Rd. to Big Creek, east of Big Creek to Franklin Parish line;

viii. Tensas: East and south of US 65 from Concordia Parish line to LA 128, south of LA 128 to St. Joseph, east and south of LA 605, 604 and 3078 northward to Port Gibson Ferry.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 25:2264 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2634 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

## **§117. 2002 Wildlife Management Area Turkey - Hunting Regulations**

### **A. General**



1. The following rules and regulations concerning management, protection and harvest of wildlife have been officially approved and adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission in accordance with the authority provided in Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Section 109 of Title 56. Failure to comply with these regulations will subject the individual to citation and/or expulsion from the management area.

2. Only those Wildlife Management Areas listed are open to turkey hunting.

3. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles cannot be left overnight on WMAs EXCEPT in designated camping areas. ATVs are prohibited from two hours after sunset to 3:00 AM. All roads including trails and roads designated as ATV only trails shall be closed to ATVs from March 1 through August 31 unless otherwise specified. ATV off-road or off-trail travel is prohibited. Certain trails may be open during this time period to provide access for fishing or other purposes. These trails will be marked by signs at the entrance of the trail. Otherwise, only walk-in hunting is permitted (bicycles permitted).

4. Bag limits on WMAs are part of the season bag limit. Only one turkey is allowed to be taken during special lottery hunts.

#### B. Permits

1. Self-Clearing Permits: All turkey hunts, including lottery hunts, are self-clearing. Hunters must check in daily by obtaining a permit from a self-clearing station prior to hunting. The self-clearing permit must be in the hunter's possession while hunting. Upon completion of each days hunt, the hunter must check out by completing and depositing the hunter report portion of the permit in the check-out box at a self-clearing station before exiting the WMA.

2. Lottery Hunts: Bayou Macon, Dewey Wills, Loggy Bayou, Sabine, Sherburne, Sicily Island, Tunica Hills, Union and West Bay WMAs are restricted to those persons selected as a result of the pre-application lottery. Special youth only lottery hunts will be held on Big Lake, Bens Creek, Fort Polk, Loggy Bayou, Sherburne, and West Bay WMAs. Deadline for receiving applications for all lottery hunts is February 15, 2002. An application fee of \$5 must be sent with each application. Applicants may submit only



one application and will be selected for one WMA Turkey Lottery Hunt annually. Submitting more than one application will result in disqualification. Contact any district office for applications. Hunters must abide by self-clearing permit requirements. Youths chosen for special youth only hunts will be guided by members of the Louisiana Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation. One family member may accompany the youth and guide, but may not hunt.

C. Wildlife Management Area Turkey Hunting Schedule\*

WMA	Season Dates	Permit Requirements	Lottery Dates**
Bayou Macon	April 6-7	Self-Clearing	April 6-7
Bens Creek <sup>1</sup>	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Big Lake	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Bodcau	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Boeuf	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Boise Vernon	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Camp Beauregard	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Dewey Wills	March 23-24 March 30-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31
Fort Polk	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
Georgia-Pacific	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Grassy Lake	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Hutchinson Creek	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None



Jackson-Bienville	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Little River	March 23-April 7	Self-clearing	None
Loggy Bayou	April 13-14	Self-Clearing	April 13-14
Pearl River	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Peason Ridge	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
Pomme de Terre	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Red River	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Sabine	March 23-24 March 30-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31
Sandy Hollow <sup>1</sup>	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Sherburne <sup>2</sup>	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 25-27
Sicily Island	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-25 March 26-28 March 29-31
Three Rivers	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Tunica Hills South Tract	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21
Tunica Hills Angola Tract <sup>3</sup>	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21
Union	April 6-7	Self-Clearing	April 6-7



Walnut Hill	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
West Bay	March 23-24 March 30-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31

\*Only those Wildlife Management Areas listed have a turkey hunting season. All other areas are closed.

\*\*The deadline for receiving applications for all turkey Lottery Hunts on WMAs is February 15, 2002.

<sup>1</sup>No turkey hunting within 100 yards of food plots identified by two yellow paint rings around the nearest tree.

<sup>2</sup>All turkeys harvested on Sherburne WMA must be weighed and checked at WMA headquarters.

<sup>3</sup>Scouting access limited. Contact Region 7 office for details (225) 765-2360.

#### D. Wildlife Management Area Youth Hunts

WMA	Lottery Youth Hunt Date
Bens Creek	March 16
Big Lake	March 16
Fort Polk	March 16
Loggy Bayou	April 6
Sherburne	March 16
West Bay	March 16

#### E. Federal Lands Turkey Hunting Schedule

1. Kisatchie National Forest (KNF) turkey hunting schedule: Caney Ranger District, March 23-April 7; all remaining KNF lands, March 23-April 14 (including Catahoula and Red Dirt National Wildlife Management Preserves).

2. Indian Bayou Area (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers), turkey hunting schedule: March 23-31, lottery hunt only on March



23-24 and March 25-27. Contact USCOE at 337-585-0856 for further information.

3. National Wildlife Refuges: Bogue Chitto NWR, March 23-April 21; Lake Ophelia NWR, March 23-25 (lottery only), March 30-April 1 (lottery only), April 6-7; Tensas NWR, March 23 - April 21. Contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for information regarding NWR hunts.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission LR 25:2265 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2636 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

Mr. Tommy Prickett then announced the managed hunts were held during the Thanksgiving holidays and it was expected harvest would be off from the previous year. Pictures from one of the better hunts on a WMA was shown. But he added that antler development and deer weight were off due to the drought. Mr. Phil Bowman stated he just returned from a meeting with some of the northern states and they are experiencing the same type weather as we are. The Director from Wisconsin told Mr. Bowman that their deer harvest may be off as much as 30-40 percent.

Chairman Stone then asked Mr. Robert Helm for the **Division Report on Waterfowl Migration/Hunting**. With the first split of the duck season just ending, staff felt it a good time to report on the season. The east zone would reopen on December 8 and the west zone on December 15 and both would remain open statewide until January 20. Weather always has a major effect on waterfowl migrations and hunting success. In Louisiana, there was a 6 to 7 week of no rainfall, but a dramatic change occurred the week prior to the meeting with 7 to 12 inches of rain falling in central and north Louisiana. Along with the dry conditions, the weather has been warm both here and in the northern Mississippi Flyway. The month of October was colder than usual, but since then the fronts have been mild, dry and short lived. Water levels in coastal ponds are currently 6 inches above marsh levels. Sheet water in agricultural lands are very abundant particularly in central and northeast Louisiana. The Mississippi River is on a 12-14 foot rise and the major river systems in Louisiana are also on a similar rise. This



should provide new opportunities for those that hunt the backwater areas, commented Mr. Helm. A waterfowl survey was conducted just prior to the season opening, and it indicated 1.6 million ducks in the coastal zones and Catahoula Lake, which is well below the 5 year average of 2.3 million ducks. Blue wings were the only species in the estimate that were above the normal ranges. The survey of north Louisiana taken during the week was not available yet. Hunters are not seeing many ducks. Then Mr. Helm reported results of hunting success. Southwest rice fields were poor for ducks but good for geese. Pecan Island was good with gadwall and blue winged teal being the most common birds taken. Hunting success improved the further east one would go stated Mr. Helm. Southeast coastal marshes were spotty except around Venice where hunting has consistently been good. On Catahoula Lake, hunting was poor but improved around Thanksgiving until the rains fell. Central and northeast Louisiana field hunting has been inconsistent, but mostly poor. Some severe cold fronts for extended periods of time are needed to improve hunting for the second split.

Mr. Phil Bowman stated there have been several bright spots even though hunting has not been as good as staff anticipated it to be. Hunter success on the Montegut Unit on Pointe-aux-Chenes WMA was 5.7 and 5.4 birds per hunter for the opening weekend. Success continues to be good with the ability to manage water and create ideal habitat. Pass-a-Loutre has also done fairly well especially with gadwall, teal and pintail.

**Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman** began with nominations for Chairman. Commissioner McCall nominated Commissioner Gattle for Chairman. There being no other nominations, Commissioner Gattle was unanimously voted to serve as Chairman. Commissioner Felterman nominated Commissioner Denmon for Vice-Chairman. No other nominations were announced and so Commissioner Denmon was elected Vice-Chairman by unanimous vote.

Chairman Stone then announced Commissioner McCall's time on the Commission would expire after the meeting. He expressed appreciation for his service. Secretary Jenkins expressed appreciation on behalf of the Department to Commissioner McCall for his service. He added that Commissioner McCall served as a Commissioner for the money! Secretary Jenkins then told Commissioner McCall that until a replacement is announced, he would have to continue serving on the Commission. Secretary Jenkins then presented a plaque to Commissioner McCall. Commissioner Gattle



expressed appreciation to Commissioner McCall also and stated he has been a mentor for him and a champion for the Department. He then stated he has enjoyed knowing Commissioner McCall and hoped they stay friends in the future. Chairman Stone then expressed his sentiments. Col. Winton Vidrine then introduced Lt. Allen Bankston, President of the Wildlife Agents Association. He expressed appreciation to Commissioner McCall for his support for the enforcement agents. Lt. Bankston then presented a plaque to Commissioner McCall for his service and an official Association jacket.

The Commissioners agreed to hold the **April 2002 Meeting** on Thursday, April 4, 2002 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Baton Rouge Headquarters.

Chairman Stone then asked for any **Public Comments**. Mr. Leonard Kleinpeter, Lt. Governor's Office, stated he wanted to ask questions about the legislation that allows for the special license for outdoor writers. As he understood the law, the license would be for \$20, not to exceed 7 days and separating it into one for fishing and one for hunting. He then asked if the Commission was in the process of promulgating a 4-day fishing license for outdoor writers? Mr. Kleinpeter was told the process was underway. He then stated people from the industry have asked that the Commission promulgate a rule for hunting purposes and maybe to consider a combination license. Chairman Stone commented the Commission was moving as rapidly as legally possible. He added the hunting ramifications are a lot different than fishing. Mr. Jim Patton stated combination licenses are problematic because the applicant must prove he has completed hunter education whether they intend to hunt or not. He added there are not the complications for fishing as there are with hunting, and they are moving as fast as possible with that license. Mr. Patton then proposed that the licenses for hunting and fishing be separate at a cost of \$10 each. Chairman Stone stated he felt there would be no problem to piggyback the fishing onto a hunting license. Mr. Patton noted the license could not be given away. Going further, he added that for the convenience of the license system, it would make good sense to promulgate a fishing or hunting license that conforms with a non-resident trip license that is already in the system. Commissioner Gattle asked if the 4-day fishing license was law now? Mr. Patton stated it was still going through the process. Commissioner Gattle then asked Mr. Patton if he was suggesting amending the Notice of Intent to include a 5-day hunting license and letting the outdoor writer choose which license they want? Mr. Patton answered yes.



Then he explained how no proof of documentation is required for a fishing license, but age and possibly hunter education certification could be required for a hunting license. Commissioner Denmon asked if this provision applies to outdoor writers only? Mr. Patton related that the criteria for those to qualify has been developed and the Office of Tourism will recommend the outdoor writers to the Department. Mr. Kleinpeter assured Commissioner Denmon the certification of outdoor writers has been in place for a while and there are no problems. Commissioner Denmon asked how long does it take for certification? Mr. Kleinpeter felt it was only an overnight process. Commissioner Gattle asked if this was through Point of Sale? Mrs. Janis Landry explained the license would only be issued in Baton Rouge.

Mr. Don Dubuc, a member of the outdoor press, stated he does not generally travel to other states because of what Louisiana has to offer. He felt it was very important that this license be offered to the writers and made as easy as possible to obtain since it is a key element in getting a job done. He then explained how quick it is to get licenses from the State of Mississippi. Arkansas gives a free license upon providing proof of who a writer is and the type work he does. Mr. Dubuc suggested a Department employee be assigned the job of handling outdoor press licenses by telephone and felt including the Office of Tourism was a good idea. He felt including a copy of a person's hunter education card on the request form should be proof enough. Again he stated this license should be as easy as possible to obtain and also it should be affordable to the writers.

Mr. Joe Macaluso, outdoor writer, stated most outdoor writers know what is needed to legally hunt or fish in a state. He then added that he has a problem that this license is only for four days. He asked why could not the license be an annual license. Mr. Macaluso suggested there be a combination license that will be for the whole year.

Secretary Jenkins stated this license applies only to a handful of people and what people do not understand is the Department is involved with a contracted complicated system that is done with electronic transferring of money and paperwork. Since this program is good for the State of Louisiana and Tourism, Secretary Jenkins felt the solution to the problem would be for the Office of Tourism to buy the writers a license. Mr. Kleinpeter stated the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism do high wire acts with their budgets and this would be an added revenue for



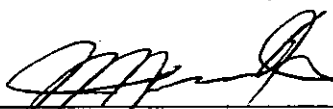
all concerned. He then asked the Commission to consider a combination license or a hunting license.

Commissioner McCall asked how many outdoor writers are there? Ms. Sharon Alford, Executive Director of the Houma Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, stated she represents and promotes tourism and outdoor sports in Terrebonne Parish. They have built professional relationships with many writers and even have invited them to Louisiana to write stories about this state. Annually 20-25 writers will come to Terrebonne Parish for stories. Commissioner McCall asked Ms. Alford if she knew how many would quit coming to Louisiana if they had to pay for a license? Ms. Alford felt it would limit only those interested in hunting stories.

Mr. Patton reminded the Commission of what the statute allows, such as the license can be valid for up to 7 days instead of an annual license and that the criteria for an outdoor writer is included in the statute. Statute also reads that in order to sell a hunting license and that person is under 33 years of age, they must prove they have hunter education certification.

Ms. Kerri Stansberry, Cajun Coast Visitor and Convention Bureau, felt the 4-day or 5-day license for a fee of \$20 would be perfect. She then announced the cities of Morgan City, Franklin and Patterson would be hosting the Southeast Outdoor Press Association meeting in 2005 and invited all of the Commissioners to the Conference.

There being no further business, Commissioner Kelly made a motion to **Adjourn** the meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Gattle.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

JHJ:sch



Marianne  
Please review  
and return

Thanks,

MB  
12/20/01 Susan

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

Thursday, December 6, 2001

one presiding.

Terry Denmon  
Lee Felterman  
Tom Gattle  
Tom Kelly  
Norman McCall

Secretary James H. Jenkins, Jr. was also present.

Commissioner Bill Busbice was absent from the meeting.

Chairman Stone called for a motion for approval of the **November 1, 2001 Commission Minutes**. A motion for approval was made by Commissioner Kelly and seconded by Commissioner Denmon. The motion passed with no opposition.

Mr. Jim Patton began the **Employee Recognition Awards Presentation** by stating this program was established this year after Civil Service changed their regulations to allow agencies to give outstanding employee awards. Under Civil Service, four different kinds of awards can be given and the Department has followed their ways. The first award is the Customer Service Award and is presented to employees that has provided customers with quality service and assistance. There can only be one employee per office. Next is the Special Achievement by a Team Award and is presented to recognize outstanding job performance in a team effort. Then is the Employee of the Year Award presented to those with overall outstanding job performance that consistently exceeds expectations. This performance is based in part on Civil Service's Performance Planning and Review system. The final award is the Secretary's Award and is chosen by the Secretary for those employees who should be recognized for their excellence and outstanding accomplishments on behalf of the Department. A committee of employees was formed to screen all nominees, determine which ones were the best and then make a recommendation to



Secretary Jenkins. Mr. Patton then announced the members of that Committee followed by the award recipients. Customer Service Award recipients for 2001 were Judy Bruetting, Office of Management and Finance; Jan Bowman, Office of Fisheries; Harold Hall, Office of Wildlife and Sametha Isaac, Office of Secretary. Recipients of the Team Award, from the Enforcement Division, are Guy Adams and Cullen Sellers. Employee of the Year recipients were Keith Hemsteter, Office of Wildlife; Susan Hawkins, Office of Wildlife; Virginia Perry, Office of Fisheries; Ben Foster, Office of Secretary; and Midori Melancon, Office of Management and Finance. Secretary Jenkins then announced the recipients of the Secretary's Awards. He explained that the first employee has had to shift his job duties and work on making the Department money by tackling the problem with minerals and has successfully gathered several millions of dollars for the Department. This recipient was Mike Windham, Office of Wildlife. The second employee has helped harass the federal government out of a couple of million dollars and has handled legislation for the Department. This recipient was Jeff Mayne. Chairman Stone expressed congratulations to all of the recipients on behalf of the Commission.

Mr. Jim Patton stated after giving out Customer Service Awards, it seemed appropriate to give a **2001 Customer Service Assessment Report**. This initiative began last year by Governor Foster and a plan is to be in place for each agency. Then a report is to be developed explaining what the agency has learned each year on Customer Service. A copy of the report was provided to each Commission Member. The first slide was a pie chart on the distribution of comments received on Customer Service. The Internet is by far the most effective way to collect this information. The next slide showed the 5 categories of responses received, and they included complaints, compliments, requests, suggestions and comments. Then shown was the results of customers that rated the Department via Internet. An excellent rating of 37 percent was received and another 23 percent rated the Department as good. The next slide was a comparison chart of the Internet responses with those of a public opinion poll taken in March 2000. A survey is conducted at National Hunting and Fishing Day each year and results showed the vast majority of the people polled rated the Department from good to excellent. The Internet results of the way Customer Service was delivered to the public was the next slide shown. The report card showed mainly "B" grades for those categories, except satisfaction's grade was low. Then results from traditional survey cards showed similar grades except scored the satisfaction category with an 84 percent. The last graph showed 92



percent of the people surveyed at Bodcau WMA felt the Department was fulfilling its position. Secretary Jenkins stated Mr. Patton was doing an excellent job. He added Governor Foster and Mr. Terry Ryder complimented Mr. Patton and the Department for the job done on a report requested by the Governor from all agencies. Mr. Patton's report will serve as a model to show the other agencies. Secretary Jenkins then expressed his appreciation to Mr. Patton.

The **Monthly Law Enforcement Report for November** was given by Major Keith LaCaze. The following numbers of citations were issued during November.

Region I - Minden - 104 citations and 9 warning.

Region II - Monroe - 137 citations and 23 warnings.

Region III - Alexandria - 174 citations and 40 warnings. Major LaCaze then announced Sgt. Peter Oliver was promoted to the Captain's position vacated by the retirement of Captain Brian Poston.

Region IV - Ferriday - 71 citations and 7 warnings.

Region V - Lake Charles - 160 citations and 9 warnings.

Region VI - Opelousas - 149 citations and 44 warnings.

Region VII - Baton Rouge - 134 citations and 13 warnings.

Region VIII - New Orleans - 141 citations and 32 warnings.

Region IX - Schriever - 164 citations and 17 warnings.

Oyster Strike Force - 44 citations.

Seafood Investigation Unit - 19 citations.

SWEP - 23 citations.

Refuge Patrol - 25 citations and 8 warnings.

The grand total of citations issued statewide for the month of November was 1,345. Also there were 202 warning citations issued statewide. The aviation report for November 2001 showed enforcement pilots flew three airplanes a total of 49.5 hours for



enforcement and 35.5 hours for other divisions. Three citations were issued and one search and rescue mission was successfully made. Then Major LaCaze announced a total of 2,407 students received their hunter education certificates for the month. As a special note, Magistrate Methvin with the Federal Courts in Lafayette ordered two offenders to each make a \$2,000 contribution to Operation Game Thief. Chairman Stone asked if it would be proper to send a letter expressing appreciation to the Magistrate? Major LaCaze stated it would be handled. Commissioner Gattle asked if there have been any hunting accidents? Major LaCaze stated there have been six accidents with three being fatalities. He then explained several of the incidences.

Lt. Col. Charlie Clark then explained the life saving incident that allowed the recognition of Sgt. Sellers and Senior Agent Adams. They were called to a scene in Lake Maurepas where one boat was sunk and another boat hit a wave and threw two adults out leaving an 18 month old baby pinned inside running wide open. With Sgt. Sellers driving the boat, Sr. Agent Adams was able to leap onto the runaway boat and rescue the baby. This incident was also submitted to the Carnegie National Hero Award Committee and they will be the recipients of the Carnegie Medal of Honor as well as a monetary award. Chairman Stone congratulated the agents on behalf of the Commission.

Moving on, Chairman Stone asked Mr. Randy Myers to present the **Resolution - Maurepas Swamp WMA, Western Tract**. At the August 2001 Meeting, a resolution was adopted formally accepting the Maurepas Swamp and establishing it as a WMA. The first donation in August was for 23,000 acres and then an additional 38,000 acres was donated in September. This resolution was to officially adopt the western tract and establish it as part of the WMA. It also establishes that all water bodies and state-owned lands within that area be part of the WMA. Private docks and piers that are on state water bodies which are attached to private property are not included in the WMA. Just during the month of November, over 1,600 users checked in at the voluntary check stations and over 100 deer have been killed on the area. Mr. Myers then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Denmon asked if the first resolution included privately-owned piers exception? Mr. Myers answered no, the majority of the piers are on the Blind River which is in the western tract. Commissioner Gattle made a motion to accept the Resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Kelly. The motion passed with no opposition.



(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

Then Mr. Randy Myers handled the next item, a **Resolution - Atchafalaya Delta WMA**. Since 1977, the Department has actively managed both the shallow waters and accreted lands of the Atchafalaya Bay. This resolution will confirm the existence of these lands as well as the growing delta and surrounding waters as part of the WMA. Mr. Myers then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle asked if this area was already a WMA and was this to make sure it remains a WMA? Mr. Myers stated yes and to clarify that the existing waters and accreting lands within the boundary is included in the WMA. Commissioner Felterman made a motion to accept the Resolution. Commissioner McCall seconded the motion and it passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
ATCHAFALAYA DELTA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

- WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is a major wintering and staging area for waterfowl and other neo-tropical migrants, and annually attracts hundreds of thousands of ducks and geese, and
- WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is also an important fisheries estuary and nursery waters for a wide variety of fish and other aquatic organisms, and
- WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is owned by the state, in trust for the benefit of the citizens of the State, and is a prime waterfowl hunting and fishing area for many of Louisiana's hunters and fishermen, and
- WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is comprised of approximately 125,000 acres, the vast majority of which, about 90%, is shallow water bottom, with the rest, or approximately 12,000 acres, being land formed by accretion, and
- WHEREAS, since 1977, the entirety of Atchafalaya Bay, both the shallow water bottom and the accreted land, has been



actively managed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission as the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area, and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that these properties remain perpetually dedicated for the purpose of maintaining such properties as a wildlife management area, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance hunting and fishing opportunity to the people of the State and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands, including water bottoms, that they remain selected and established as a wildlife management area named the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 and 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, does hereby confirm that all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within Atchafalaya Bay, as more particularly described on Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof, have been selected and are and have been established as a wildlife management area named the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this wildlife management area shall be used and maintained for the benefit of the citizens of the state and shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the leasing of any such lands, including water bottoms, for the exploration or production of minerals; provided that such activities shall recognize the prevailing use of the lands, including water bottoms, as a wildlife management area and shall provide reasonable restrictions on such mineral activity to assure compatibility therewith.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the United States Government, as represented by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, from performing any dredging work, or from beneficially depositing any materials in the Atchafalaya Bay area in the interest of flood control or navigation, provided however, that such activities shall recognize the prevailing use of the lands, including water bottoms, as a wildlife management area and be compatible therewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes and empowers the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to take all actions necessary in furtherance of confirming the establishment the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.

---

Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

---

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION ON ATCHAFALAYA DELTA WMA

December 6, 2001

The Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area is described as follows:

A certain portion of Atchafalaya Bay, belonging to the State of Louisiana and designated an "arm of the sea" by L.S.A. R.S. 38:2356 M(2) including all present or former beds and areas of navigable waters or the shores within the area hereafter described, and also, but not by limitation, all islands except those islands, if any, which may be owned or leased by the United States Government or its agencies, and all present and future depositions of shell, sand, or silt and present or future emerging lands created thereby; which portion of Atchafalaya Bay is bounded by a line described more fully, to wit:

From a point, with Louisiana Plane Coordinate System, South Zone coordinates of X=1,930,619 ft., Y=309,763 ft., which marks the mean low water line of the extreme tip of Point Chevreuil in St. Mary Parish, T-17-S, R-9-E, as depicted on Map No. 3 of 5, entitled "Point Chevreuil" of the Set of 54 Maps of the Louisiana Coast,



submitted into evidence as Exhibit No. 119 in Number 9 Original, United States of America v. State of Louisiana, et al., [which set of maps is hereinafter referred to as the "Set of 54 Maps"]; thence to the mean high water mark of the extreme tip of Point Chevreuil, which is the point of beginning; thence from the point of beginning, proceed northeasterly along the mean high water line to the westernmost entrance point of the Wax Lake Outlet; thence in a straight line across the mouth of Wax Lake Outlet to Belle Isle Point; thence following the mean high water line, easterly, closing off all bayous, to the easternmost point of Shell Island; thence by a straight closing line across the Atchafalaya River to the northernmost headland of Deer Island Bayou; thence closing the mouth of Deer Island Bayou to the tip of the southern headlands; thence following the mean high water line to the northernmost headland of Four League Bay, thence southerly by straight closing line across Four League Bay to the northernmost point of South Point; thence following the mean high water line along the coast to Point au Fer to that point with the assigned coordinates of X=1,993,420 ft., Y=241,930 ft., depicted on Map No. 1 of 5, "Point au Fer", of the "Set of 54 Maps"; thence along a line connecting said point on Point au Fer with a point on Mound Point on Marsh Island with the coordinates of X=1,845,475 ft., Y=293,595 ft., depicted on Map No. 4 of 5, "Marsh Island S.E.", of the "Set of 54 Maps", to that point where said line between Point au Fer and Mound Point intersects a north-south line with a constant coordinate value of X=1,930,619 ft., on the Louisiana Plane Coordinate System, South Zone; thence north to the point of the mean low water line of Point Chevreuil with coordinates X=1,930,619 ft., Y=309,763 ft., described herein above; thence to the point of beginning; which points, and mean high water line constituting the boundaries of the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area are depicted on the "Set of 54 Maps" identified herein, which maps are made a part hereof by specific reference.

**A Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season** was given by Mr. Tommy Prickett. A Notice of Intent was promulgated in August and now was the time to ratify that rule. A number of public hearings have been held. The biggest changes from the 2001 season was reducing the bird bag limit from three to two and recommending a statewide opening date of March 30. After hearing public comments, the Commission decided to change that opening date to March 23 for the 2002 season. Mr. Prickett then read the following season dates: Area A - March 23 - April 21; Area B - March 23 - April 14 and Area C - March 23 - March 31. This change did not result in any cut on the season length, but moved the season opener a week



earlier. The last change was expanding the youth lottery hunts from just Loggy Bayou and Big Lake WMAs to include Fort Polk, Bens Creek, Sherburne and West Bay WMAs. Mr. Prickett then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Denmon made a motion to accept the Resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Gattle. The motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution and Rule are made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

December 6, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, December 6, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting a season in 2002 for turkeys, and

WHEREAS, authority to establish seasons, bag limits, possession limits and other rules and regulations for the hunting, taking and possession of any species of wild game birds is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of wild turkeys and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all available biological information, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rules, regulations, season dates, and bag limits affecting sport hunting of wild turkeys are hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

---

Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries

---

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and



Sherburne	March 16
West Bay	March 16

E. Federal Lands Turkey Hunting Schedule

1. Kisatchie National Forest (KNF) turkey hunting schedule: Caney Ranger District, March 23-April 7; all remaining KNF lands, March 23-April 14 (including Catahoula and Red Dirt National Wildlife Management Preserves).

2. Indian Bayou Area (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers), turkey hunting schedule: March 23-31, lottery hunt only on March 23-24 and March 25-27. Contact USCOE at 337-585-0856 for further information.

3. National Wildlife Refuges: Bogue Chitto NWR, March 23-April 21; Lake Ophelia NWR, March 23-25 (lottery only), March 30-April 1 (lottery only), April 6-7; Tensas NWR, March 23 - April 21. Contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for information regarding NWR hunts.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission LR 25:2265 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2636 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

Mr. Tommy Prickett then announced the managed hunts were held during the Thanksgiving holidays and it was expected harvest would be off from the previous year. Pictures from one of the better hunts on a WMA was shown. But he added that antler development and deer weight were off due to the drought. Mr. Phil Bowman stated he just returned from a meeting with some of the northern states and they are experiencing the same type weather as we are. The Director from Wisconsin told Mr. Bowman that their deer harvest may be off as much as 30-40 percent.

Chairman Stone then asked Mr. Robert Helm for the **Division Report on Waterfowl Migration/Hunting**. With the first split of the duck season just ending, staff felt it a good time to report on the season. The east zone would reopen on December 8 and the west zone



on December 15 and both would remain open statewide until January 20. Weather always has a major effect on waterfowl migrations and hunting success. In Louisiana, there was a 6 to 7 week of no rainfall, but a dramatic change occurred the week prior to the meeting with 7 to 12 inches of rain falling in central and north Louisiana. Along with the dry conditions, the weather has been warm both here and in the northern Mississippi Flyway. The month of October was colder than usual, but since then the fronts have been mild, dry and short lived. Water levels in coastal ponds are currently 6 inches above marsh levels. Sheet water in agricultural lands are very abundant particularly in central and northeast Louisiana. The Mississippi River is on a 12-14 foot rise and the major river systems in Louisiana are also on a similar rise. This should provide new opportunities for those that hunt the backwater areas, commented Mr. Helm. A waterfowl survey was conducted just prior to the season opening, and it indicated 1.6 million ducks in the coastal zones and Catahoula Lake, which is well below the 5 year average of 2.3 million ducks. Blue wings were the only species in the estimate that were above the normal ranges. The survey of north Louisiana taken during the week was not available yet. Hunters are not seeing many ducks. Then Mr. Helm reported results of hunting success. Southwest rice fields were poor for ducks but good for geese. Pecan Island was good with gadwall and blue winged teal being the most common birds taken. Hunting success improved the further east one would go stated Mr. Helm. Southeast coastal marshes were spotty except around Venice where hunting has consistently been good. On Catahoula Lake, hunting was poor but improved around Thanksgiving until the rains fell. Central and northeast Louisiana field hunting has been inconsistent, but mostly poor. Some severe cold fronts for extended periods of time are needed to improve hunting for the second split.

Mr. Phil Bowman stated there have been several bright spots even though hunting has not been as good as staff anticipated it to be. Hunter success on the Montegut Unit on Pointe-aux-Chenes WMA was 5.7 and 5.4 birds per hunter for the opening weekend. Success continues to be good with the ability to manage water and create ideal habitat. Pass-a-Loutre has also done fairly well especially with gadwall, teal and pintail.

**Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman** began with nominations for Chairman. Commissioner McCall nominated Commissioner Gattle for Chairman. There being no other nominations, Commissioner Gattle was unanimously voted to serve as Chairman. Commissioner



Felterman nominated Commissioner Denmon for Vice-Chairman. No other nominations were announced and so Commissioner Denmon was elected Vice-Chairman by unanimous vote.

Chairman Stone then announced Commissioner McCall's time on the Commission would expire after the meeting. He expressed appreciation for his service. Secretary Jenkins expressed appreciation on behalf of the Department to Commissioner McCall for his service. He added that Commissioner McCall served as a Commissioner for the money! Secretary Jenkins then told Commissioner McCall that until a replacement is announced, he would have to continue serving on the Commission. Secretary Jenkins then presented a plaque to Commissioner McCall. Commissioner Gattle expressed appreciation to Commissioner McCall also and stated he has been a mentor for him and a champion for the Department. He then stated he has enjoyed knowing Commissioner McCall and hoped they stay friends in the future. Chairman Stone then expressed his sentiments. Col. Winton Vidrine then introduced Lt. Allen Bankston, President of the Wildlife Agents Association. He expressed appreciation to Commissioner McCall for his support for the enforcement agents. Lt. Bankston then presented a plaque to Commissioner McCall for his service and an official Association jacket.

The Commissioners agreed to hold the **April 2002 Meeting** on Thursday, April 4, 2002 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Baton Rouge Headquarters.

Chairman Stone then asked for any **Public Comments**. Mr. Leonard Kleinpeter, Lt. Governor's Office, stated he wanted to ask questions about the legislation that allows for the special license for outdoor writers. As he understood the law, the license would be for \$20, not to exceed 7 days and separating it into one for fishing and one for hunting. He then asked if the Commission was in the process of promulgating a 4-day fishing license for outdoor writers? Mr. Kleinpeter was told the process was underway. He then stated people from the industry have asked that the Commission promulgate a rule for hunting purposes and maybe to consider a combination license. Chairman Stone commented the Commission was moving as rapidly as legally possible. He added the hunting ramifications are a lot different than fishing. Mr. Jim Patton stated combination licenses are problematic because the applicant must prove he has completed hunter education whether they intend to hunt or not. He added there are not the complications for fishing as there are with hunting, and they are moving as fast as possible



with that license. Mr. Patton then proposed that the licenses for hunting and fishing be separate at a cost of \$10 each. Chairman Stone stated he felt there would be no problem to piggyback the fishing onto a hunting license. Mr. Patton noted the license could not be given away. Going further, he added that for the convenience of the license system, it would make good sense to promulgate a fishing or hunting license that conforms with a non-resident trip license that is already in the system. Commissioner Gattle asked if the 4-day fishing license was law now? Mr. Patton stated it was still going through the process. Commissioner Gattle then asked Mr. Patton if he was suggesting amending the Notice of Intent to include a 5-day hunting license and letting the outdoor writer choose which license they want? Mr. Patton answered yes. Then he explained how no proof of documentation is required for a fishing license, but age and possibly hunter education certification could be required for a hunting license. Commissioner Denmon asked if this provision applies to outdoor writers only? Mr. Patton related that the criteria for those to qualify has been developed and the Office of Tourism will recommend the outdoor writers to the Department. Mr. Kleinpeter assured Commissioner Denmon the certification of outdoor writers has been in place for a while and there are no problems. Commissioner Denmon asked how long does it take for certification? Mr. Kleinpeter felt it was only an overnight process. Commissioner Gattle asked if this was through Point of Sale? Mrs. Janis Landry explained the license would only be issued in Baton Rouge.

Mr. Don Dubuc, a member of the outdoor press, stated he does not generally travel to other states because of what Louisiana has to offer. He felt it was very important that this license be offered to the writers and made as easy as possible to obtain since it is a key element in getting a job done. He then explained how quick it is to get licenses from the State of Mississippi. Arkansas gives a free license upon providing proof of who a writer is and the type work he does. Mr. Dubuc suggested a Department employee be assigned the job of handling outdoor press licenses by telephone and felt including the Office of Tourism was a good idea. He felt including a copy of a person's hunter education card on the request form should be proof enough. Again he stated this license should be as easy as possible to obtain and also it should be affordable to the writers.

Mr. Joe Macaluso, outdoor writer, stated most outdoor writers know what is needed to legally hunt or fish in a state. He then added that he has a problem that this license is only for four



days. He asked why could not the license be an annual license. Mr. Macaluso suggested there be a combination license that will be for the whole year.

Secretary Jenkins stated this license applies only to a handful of people and what people do not understand is the Department is involved with a contracted complicated system that is done with electronic transferring of money and paperwork. Since this program is good for the State of Louisiana and Tourism, Secretary Jenkins felt the solution to the problem would be for the Office of Tourism to buy the writers a license. Mr. Kleinpeter stated the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism do high wire acts with their budgets and this would be an added revenue for all concerned. He then asked the Commission to consider a combination license or a hunting license.

Commissioner McCall asked how many outdoor writers are there? Ms. Sharon Alford, Executive Director of the Houma Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, stated she represents and promotes tourism and outdoor sports in Terrebonne Parish. They have built professional relationships with many writers and even have invited them to Louisiana to write stories about this state. Annually 20-25 writers will come to Terrebonne Parish for stories. Commissioner McCall asked Ms. Alford if she knew how many would quit coming to Louisiana if they had to pay for a license? Ms. Alford felt it would limit only those interested in hunting stories.

Mr. Patton reminded the Commission of what the statute allows, such as the license can be valid for up to 7 days instead of an annual license and that the criteria for an outdoor writer is included in the statute. Statute also reads that in order to sell a hunting license and that person is under 33 years of age, they must prove they have hunter education certification.

Ms. Kerri Stansberry, Cajun Coast Visitor and Convention Bureau, felt the 4-day or 5-day license for a fee of \$20 would be perfect. She then announced the cities of Morgan City, Franklin and Patterson would be hosting the Southeast Outdoor Press Association meeting in 2005 and invited all of the Commissioners to the Conference.

There being no further business, Commissioner Kelly made a motion to **Adjourn** the meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Gattle.



<a href="#">Home</a>	<a href="#">Entertainment</a>
<a href="#">News</a>	<a href="#">Obituaries</a>
<a href="#">Sports</a>	<a href="#">Marketplace</a>
<a href="#">Business</a>	<a href="#">Site Map</a>
<a href="#">Classifieds</a>	<a href="#">Weather</a>

## The Advocate **ONLINE**

---

[Back to Index](#)*Published on 12/7/01*[E-mail this story to a friend](#)

# LWFC ratifies new season dates for turkey hunting

By **JOE MACALUSO**  
Advocate outdoors writer

Acting on recommendations from the state's Wildlife Division, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission ratified dramatically new season dates and bag limits for the 2001 Spring Turkey season at its monthly meeting Thursday.

The new measures have a single, statewide opening day — March 23 — for the state's three turkey hunting areas, and a reduction in the season bag limit from 3 birds to 2. The daily limit remained at 1.

State upland biologists have noted declining wild turkey populations in the Florida Parishes during the last 10 years, and have documented declines in smaller, isolated areas around the state. The northern parishes and most parishes along the Mississippi River have increasing turkey numbers. Restocking efforts, which reintroduced turkeys into most areas, are largely responsible for the increase.

Wildlife Division administrator Tom Prickett told the commission in August that the reason for the single, statewide opener was to reduce the number of hunters moving to different areas of the state to take advantage of the season's first days.

The March 23 opener is seven days earlier than the March 30 recommendation by the Wildlife Division. The move, made in an October amendment, was the result of hunters' complaints that the March 30 date was too late to open the season. Hunters said the March 30 date put them at risk of missing the prime "gobbling" season, when male turkeys are at their most active during the spring breeding season.

Dates for the three areas included:

Area A, March 23-April 21

Area B, March 23-April 14

Area C, March 23-March 31

Area A takes in all parishes in the Capital City area, with the exception of



state and federal refuges and management areas in Pointe Coupee Parish.

In other action, the LWFC passed resolutions to include the 38,000-acre donation by the Richard King Mellon Foundation into the new Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area between Sorrento and LaPlace, and to outline the boundary of the Atchafalaya Delta WMA.

The 38,000-acre addition brings the Maurepas Swamp WMA up to 61,000 acres after an initial 23,000-acre donation from the same foundation.

State biologist Randy Myers said the Atchafalaya Delta WMA resolution was needed "to clarify that water and accreting lands are included in the WMA." The delta of the Atchafalaya River is building new land every year and the move by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries through the LWFC ensures the new areas will become part of the WMA.

The meeting also honored 13 staff personnel in the 2001 LDWF Employee Recognition Awards Program. Among them were Mike Windham and Enforcement Division agent Jeff Mayne, who received the Secretary Award.

The LWFC also learned that agents issued 1,345 citations and 202 written warnings in November, and agreed that the April meeting date will be April 4. It also heard testimony on the new Outdoors Writers license, which is set for ratification in February 2002.

[Top of page](#)

---

## SITE INDEX

<a href="#">HOME:</a>	<a href="#">About Us</a>   <a href="#">Archives</a>   <a href="#">Help</a>   <a href="#">Search</a>   <a href="#">Site Map</a>   <a href="#">Subscribe</a>
<a href="#">NEWS:</a>	<a href="#">AP Wire</a>   <a href="#">Elections</a>   <a href="#">Health news</a>   <a href="#">Legislature</a>   <a href="#">Photo Gallery</a>   <a href="#">Police Briefs</a>   <a href="#">Religion</a>   <a href="#">School News</a>   <a href="#">Schools: Desegregation</a>   <a href="#">Science</a>   <a href="#">Smiley</a>
<a href="#">SUBURBAN NEWS:</a>	<a href="#">Acadiana</a>   <a href="#">Baker, Zachary, Felicianas</a>   <a href="#">Florida parishes</a>   <a href="#">River parishes</a>   <a href="#">Westside</a>
<a href="#">WEATHER:</a>	<a href="#">Current Weather</a>
<a href="#">SPORTS:</a>	<a href="#">ECHL hockey</a>   <a href="#">High school sports</a>   <a href="#">LSU sports</a>   <a href="#">Outdoors</a>   <a href="#">New Orleans Saints</a>   <a href="#">SEC FanaticZone</a>   <a href="#">Southern University</a>   <a href="#">Team Schedules</a>
<a href="#">PEOPLE:</a>	<a href="#">Obituaries</a>   <a href="#">Food</a>   <a href="#">Teen Stuff</a>
<a href="#">ENTERTAINMENT:</a>	<a href="#">Movies</a>   <a href="#">TV Listings</a>   <a href="#">Music</a>   <a href="#">Books</a>   <a href="#">Comics</a>   <a href="#">Horoscopes</a>   <a href="#">Crossword</a>   <a href="#">Wordsearch</a>   <a href="#">Software Reviews</a>   <a href="#">Travel</a>   <a href="#">Personals</a>
<a href="#">BUSINESS:</a>	<a href="#">Briefs</a>   <a href="#">Technobabble</a>   <a href="#">Molley Fool</a>
<a href="#">OPINION:</a>	<a href="#">Inside Report</a>   <a href="#">Joan McKinney</a>   <a href="#">Milford Fryer</a>   <a href="#">Our Views</a>   <a href="#">Perspective</a>   <a href="#">Political Horizons</a>
<a href="#">ADVERTISING:</a>	<a href="#">Advertise with Us</a>   <a href="#">ADvocate ADvantages</a>   <a href="#">Apartment Directory</a>   <a href="#">Classifieds</a>   <a href="#">Display (Graphical) Ads</a>   <a href="#">Employment Classifieds</a>   <a href="#">La Job Market</a>   <a href="#">Marketplace</a>   <a href="#">Real Estate Classifieds</a>   <a href="#">Wheels (Automotive) Section</a>   <a href="#">Yellow Pages</a>
<a href="#">SPECIAL SECTIONS:</a>	<a href="#">Millennium</a>   <a href="#">Vacation</a>   <a href="#">Weddings</a>   <a href="#">World Wide Wanderers</a>   <a href="#">Other Special Sections</a>



COMMISSION MEETING  
ROLL CALL

Thursday, December 6, 2001  
Baton Rouge, LA  
Wildlife & Fisheries Building

	Attended	Absent
Jerry Stone (Chairman)	<u>✓</u>	—
Tom Gattle	<u>✓</u>	—
Bill Busbice	—	<u>✓</u>
Tom Kelly	<u>✓</u>	—
Norman McCall	<u>✓</u>	—
Terry Denmon	<u>✓</u>	—
Lee Felterman	<u>✓</u>	—

Mr. Chairman:

There are 6 Commissioners in attendance and we have a quorum.

Secretary Jenkins is also present.



AGENDA

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

BATON ROUGE, LA

December 6, 2001

10:00 AM

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001
3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation - Jim Patton
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report - Jim Patton
5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November - Keith LaCaze
6. Resolution - Maurepas Swamp WMA, Western Tract - Randy Myers
7. Resolution - Atchafalaya Delta WMA - Randy Myers
8. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season - Tommy Prickett
9. Division Report - Waterfowl Migration/Hunting - Robert Helm
10. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
11. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
12. Public Comments
13. Adjournment



## AGENDA

### LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

BATON ROUGE, LA

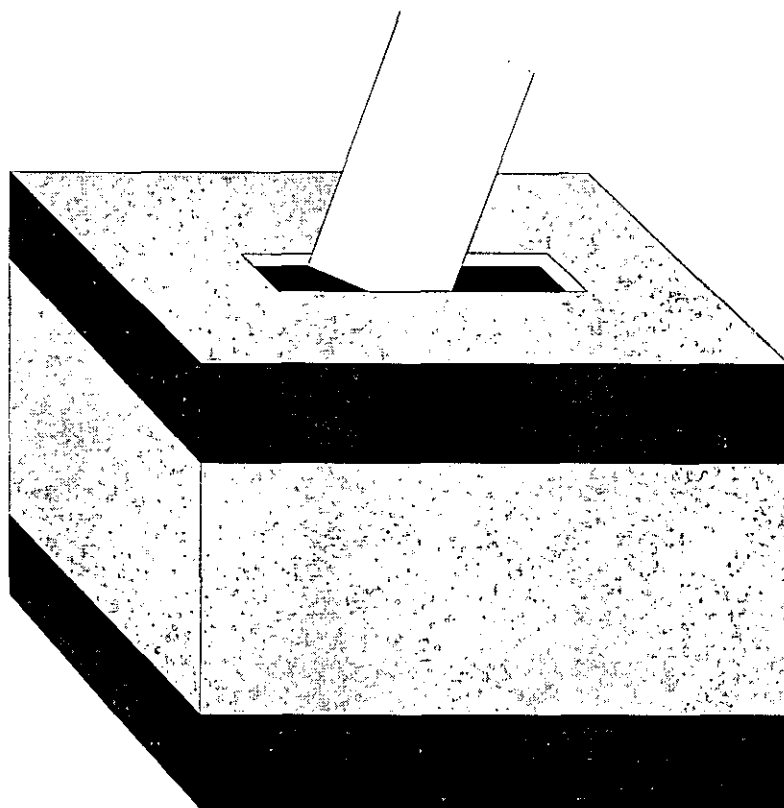
December 6, 2001

10:00 AM

- ✓1. Roll Call
- ✓2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001
- ✓3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation - Jim Patton
- ✓4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report - Jim Patton
- ✓5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November - Keith LaCaze
- ✓6. Resolution - Maurepas Swamp WMA, Western Tract - Randy Myers
- ✓7. Resolution - Atchafalaya Delta WMA - Randy Myers
- ✓8. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season - Tommy Prickett
- ✓9. Division Report - Waterfowl Migration/Hunting - Robert Helm
- ✓10. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
- ✓11. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
- ✓12. Public Comments
13. Adjournment



# Customer Service Assessment Report 2001



Customer Service Committee  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

October 2001



## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Appreciation is extended to the members and advisor of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Customer Service Committee for their efforts and ideas in the development of the Customer Service Assessment Report. Special recognition is conferred upon Undersecretary James L. Patton, Chairman of the Committee and David Lavergne, Economist Manager for their wisdom and guidance in preparing this report. Appreciation is specifically extended to Steven J. Welch, Economic Research Analyst, for compiling and preparing the Department's Customer Service Assessment Report.

## COST STATEMENT

Two hundred copies of this public document were printed at a cost of \$286.52. This document was compiled, prepared and printed by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Office of Management and Finance, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808.

*The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries follows a nondiscriminatory policy in programs and employment.*



# **Table of Contents**

<b><u>Section</u></b>	<b><u>Page</u></b>
Introduction . . . . .	1
Customer Service Accomplishments in 2001 . . . . .	2
Customer Satisfaction in 2001 . . . . .	3
• Types of Instruments Received . . . . .	3
• Departmental Locations Where Comments Sent . . . . .	5
• Geographic Locations Where Comments Originated . . . . .	6
• Types of Comments Received . . . . .	8
• Comments With and Without Merit . . . . .	8
• Overall Public Satisfaction . . . . .	9
• Objective Comment Card Questions . . . . .	11
• Employee Satisfaction Survey . . . . .	13
National Hunting and Fishing Day 2000 . . . . .	13
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Customers . . . . .	15
Customer Service in 2002 . . . . .	16
Conclusion . . . . .	18

## **Appendices**

Metropolitan Regions of Louisiana . . . . .	A-1
LDWF Comment / Suggestion Card . . . . .	B-1
Internet Comment Card . . . . .	C-1
Employee Comment/Suggestion Form . . . . .	D-1
2000 National Hunting and Fishing Day Survey Instrument . . . . .	E-1
2000 National Hunting and Fishing Day Survey Analysis Results . . . . .	F-1



# **LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES**

## **2001 CUSTOMER SERVICE ASSESSMENT REPORT**

### **Introduction**

The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (the Department) **Customer Service Assessment Report 2001** will:

- *Summarize the Department's customer service accomplishments in 2001,*
- *Provide an objective measurement of overall customer satisfaction for the entire Department,*
- *Summarize the number of comments, suggestions, and complaints received by type and location,*
- *Summarize the comments, suggestions and complaints by whether or not they have merit,*
- *Provide information concerning steps that can be taken to alleviate or avoid complaints that have merit as well as suggest ways to improve customer service,*
- *Look at the Department's plans in the near future relating to customer service.*

The past year was the second full year that the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has had in place a means by which to collect and analyze comments from the general public and customers of the Department. Prior to August 1999, the Department had no direct method of collecting and analyzing customer comments and complaints except on a case-by-case basis. In this report, the performance level measurements for the last 12 months will be compared to the results achieved in the program's inaugural year. It is intended for these measurements to be utilized each year to give the Customer Service Committee (the Committee) an idea of whether or not customer service at the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is improving on a year-to-year basis. These measurements will also give the Committee an understanding of where the Department stands now with its customers and in what areas some improvement may be needed.



## Customer Service Accomplishments in 2001

The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries achieved several of its customer service goals in the past year.

- A customer service survey was conducted during the 2000 National Hunting and Fishing Day event in Minden, LA. This survey was more extensive than the one performed at the 1999 event in Minden. These results have now been analyzed.
- In December 2000, a topical telephone reference list and a directory of contacts by parish was assembled and distributed to each Division as well as each outlying office. These lists were created in order to address complaints by customers regarding excessive call transfers.
- Beginning in January 2001, a 40-minute customer service presentation is being given at new employee orientation. Through September 5, 2001, 74 employees had viewed this presentation at employee orientation meetings.
- Customer service training was provided to employees at several meetings in Baton Rouge and Woodworth, LA. These meetings were attended by 164 full-time employees of the Department.
- The customer service video *Quality Service in the Public Sector* has now been shown to 246 full-time, permanent employees. This represents slightly more than one-third of the Department's total full-time, permanent workforce.
- The Committee began the initial stages of looking at upgrading the telephone system in the Monroe, LA district office to improve customer service in that district while decreasing the employees' workload.
- The Committee was given a presentation regarding the potential uses, availability, and legal requirements of Low Power Radio (LPR). A preliminary investigation was done to consider LPR as a means to communicate Departmental news and other information to the public.
- The Committee collected and redistributed comments, suggestions and complaints that were submitted to the Department in the form of Customer Service Comment/Suggestion Cards, Internet Comment Card forms and Employee Comment



Forms. These forms were distributed to the most relevant Division or Section based on the content of the form received.

- The Committee implemented a follow-up survey of each Division and Section that received a comment, suggestion or complaint via the customer service channels. These follow-up surveys were conducted every three to four months.
- The Committee has expanded its membership to include at least one member from each of the seven major metropolitan areas in the state (as defined in Appendix A). This has brought more diverse customer service issues up for discussion in the Committee meetings as well as broadened the opinions within the Committee by representing a broader, more diverse area.
- The Committee attempted to put together an employee survey that would enable the Department to find ways to improve customer service by identifying ways to better provide its services to customers. The survey also looked at ways for the Department to enhance morale and foster a more positive and receptive work environment for its employees. The survey was never administered, but is being kept on file.

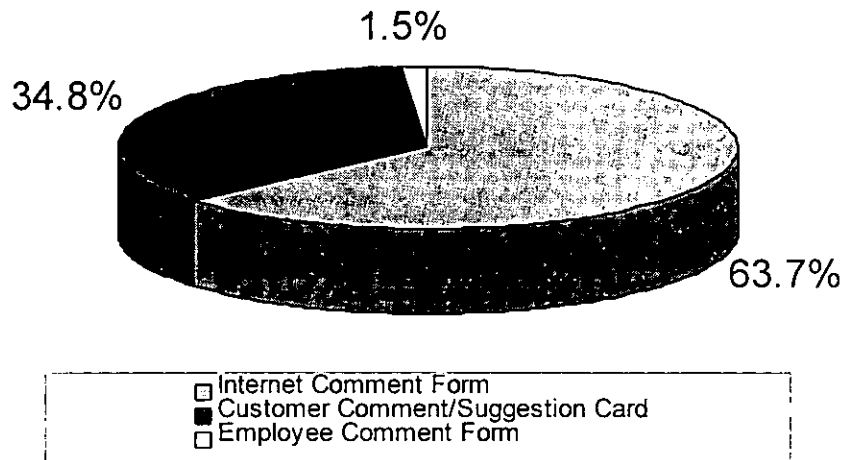
## Customer Satisfaction in 2001

### **Types of Instruments Received**

During the past year, the Department has collected customer and employee comments through a variety of means. The Committee has placed Customer Service Comment/Suggestion Cards (Appendix B) and receptacle boxes at Department locations throughout the state. An Internet Comment Card form (Appendix C) has been created for use by the general public and is available through the Department's web site at <http://www.wlf.state.la.us>. Also, there is an anonymous Employee Comment/Suggestion Form (Appendix D) on the Department's internal network site for use by employees only. Through these means, a total of 135 comments were received by the Committee during the past year. A breakdown of the type of comment instrument received are shown in Figure 1.



**Figure 1: Types of Comment Instruments Received (Total = 135)**



The total number of comments received this year was down 23% from last year. This may have occurred due to a number of reasons:

- The Committee was on a pace to receive approximately 120 Internet Comment Cards this year, an increase from the 83 received last year. However, subsequent to a computer server malfunction on May 26, 2001, the computer section at the Department was unable to fully restore the Internet Customer Service Comment Card to its original functionality. After that date, only one Internet Customer Service Comment Card was received through September 5, 2001.
- The Committee received 47 Customer Service Comment/Suggestion Cards this year, a decline from 71 in 2000. The entire decline can be explained by the decline in cards received at the headquarters location in Baton Rouge which received 37 cards in 2000, but only 13 in 2001. Reasons for this decline are unclear, but factors involved may include fewer people visiting the headquarters office due to the automation of licensing systems put in place in late 1999, and employee training specifically targeting improved customer service.
- Employee Comment Forms declined from 21 to 2. This is most likely because employees who had suggestions and comments made them relatively soon after they became aware that a comment form existed. The year in which 21 of these forms were received was the first year that the Employee Comment Form existed.



It should be mentioned that the number of comments received through these means by the Customer Service Committee is only a relatively small percentage of the total number of comments received by the Department as a whole. The primary reason for this is that many comments are made directly to Department personnel rather than through official channels. Because of this, the results of the analyses in this report should be used with caution.

### **Departmental Locations Where Comments Sent**

Each card and form was received in a central location, recorded, and distributed to the most relevant Division(s) or Section(s) of the Department based on the content of the comments on the particular card or form. Comments that could be handled by the customer service representative were handled immediately upon receipt and then forwarded to the appropriate Division(s) or Section(s) if applicable. Tables 1 and 2 show a summary of where each type of card and form was sent by Office, and by Division/Section of the Department.

In 2001, the License Section remained the recipient of largest number of comments in the Department. However, their proportion of total comments received decreased by 12% from the previous year.

Two categories received a markedly increased percentage of the comments this year. The customer service representative was able to directly answer a larger portion of the comments this year (19% compared with 3% in 2000) due to the nature of many of the Internet comments that made simple requests for general information or complained about license fee increases enacted by the Louisiana Legislature in 2000.

The other category that saw a large increase in comments was the Wildlife & Aquatic Education Section (14% compared with 3% in 2000). Part of the reason for this increase was that this section only existed for part of the previous year due to the breakup of the Information and Education Division. Another reason for the increase in comment cards to this section was an influx of cards submitted at the Booker Fowler Fish Hatchery. In its contact with the public, the hatchery is primarily an aquatic education facility.



**Table 1: Locations Where Comment Cards were Sent by Office (9/15/00 to 9/05/01)**

Location Comment Sent	Internet Cards	Internet Card %	Employee Forms	Employee Form %	Comment Cards	Comment Card %	Total Comments	% Total Comments
Office of the Secretary	6	6.98%	0	0.00%	1	2.13%	7	5.19%
Office of Wildlife	18	20.93%	0	0.00%	14	29.79%	32	23.70%
Office of Fisheries	4	4.65%	0	0.00%	2	4.26%	6	4.44%
Office of Management and Finance	27	31.40%	2	100.00%	18	38.30%	47	34.81%
Customer Service Representative	31	36.05%	0	0.00%	12	25.53%	43	31.85%
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

**Table 2: Locations Where Comment Cards were Sent by Division/Section (9/15/00 to 9/05/01)**

Location Comment Sent	Internet Cards	Internet Card %	Employee Forms	Employee Form %	Comment Cards	Comment Card %	Total Comments	% Total Comments
Licensing Section	18	20.93%	1	50.00%	17	36.17%	36	26.67%
Customer Service Representative	25	29.07%	0	0.00%	1	2.13%	26	19.26%
Wildlife & Aquatic Education Section	7	8.14%	0	0.00%	12	25.53%	19	14.07%
Filed. No obvious section named.	6	6.98%	0	0.00%	11	23.40%	17	12.59%
Wildlife Division	9	10.47%	0	0.00%	2	4.26%	11	8.15%
Enforcement Division	6	6.98%	0	0.00%	1	2.13%	7	5.19%
Office of Management and Finance (Undersecretary)	3	3.49%	1	50.00%	1	2.13%	5	3.70%
Information Section	4	4.65%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	4	2.96%
Marine Fisheries Division	2	2.33%	0	0.00%	1	2.13%	3	2.22%
Inland Fisheries Division	2	2.33%	0	0.00%	1	2.13%	3	2.22%
Natural Heritage Section	2	2.33%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	2	1.48%
Computer Section	1	1.16%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	0.74%
Socioeconomic Research and Development Section	1	1.16%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1	0.74%
Personnel Section	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Fur and Refuge Division	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Purchasing Section	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Fiscal Section	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Property Control Section	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Office of the Secretary	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Office of Wildlife (Assistant Secretary)	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Office of Fisheries (Assistant Secretary)	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Coastal Ecology Section	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### Geographic Locations Where Comments Originated

Table 3 shows the geographic metropolitan regions of Louisiana from where Internet Comment Cards and Comment/Suggestion Cards originated. The origins of the comments are based upon the parish in which the respondent resides. A map outlining each of these specific metropolitan regions is located in Appendix A.



**Table 3: Internet Forms and Comment Cards Received From Each Metropolitan Region**

Region	Internet Forms	Internet Form %	Comment Cards	Comment Card %	Total Comments	% of Total Comments	% of Total Comments within Louisiana
Shreveport	8	9.3%	1	2.1%	9	6.8%	8.2%
Monroe	4	4.7%	0	0.0%	4	3.0%	3.6%
Alexandria	6	7.0%	7	14.9%	13	9.8%	11.8%
Lake Charles	12	14.0%	2	4.3%	14	10.5%	12.7%
Lafayette	9	10.5%	5	10.6%	14	10.5%	12.7%
Baton Rouge	13	15.1%	8	17.0%	21	15.8%	19.1%
New Orleans	20	23.3%	15	31.9%	35	26.3%	31.8%
No Response	0	0.0%	9	19.1%	9	6.8%	xxx
Out Of State	14	16.3%	0	0.0%	14	10.5%	xxx
Totals	86	100.0%	47	100.0%	133	100.0%	100.0%

From these results, it is apparent that the New Orleans area has the highest percentage of people sending comments into the Department. This is to be expected since the highest population concentration in the state is in the New Orleans area. The Lake Charles region was significantly over-represented and the Monroe region was somewhat under-represented when comparing their 1999 populations to the percentage of comments received from those regions (See Table 4).

**Table 4: 1999 Louisiana Population Estimates**

Region of Louisiana	1999 Population Estimate *	% of Louisiana Population
Shreveport	445,867	10.2%
Monroe	369,464	8.5%
Alexandria	400,542	9.2%
Lake Charles	253,151	5.8%
Lafayette	557,442	12.8%
Baton Rouge	907,042	20.7%
New Orleans	1,438,527	32.9%
State Total	4,372,035	100.0%

\* LEAP Center for Business & Economic Research

One explanation for these discrepancies may be that the total number of comments received during the year was fairly small. Therefore a small increase or decrease in the number of comments received by a region will affect the regional proportion significantly. When the comments are analyzed by region over a longer time frame, the regions should be more accurately represented due to the resulting larger sample size. If the comments received by a region over a longer time period significantly over- or under-represent the



population of that region, more analysis should be done to understand why specific regions of the state participate more than others in the customer service comment process of the Department.

### **Types of Comments Received**

Each comment that was received from all sources was classified into one or two categories depending upon the content of the comments. The classifications were Comment, Suggestion, Request, Compliment, and Complaint. Table 5 illustrates a summary of the types of comments received by source.

**Table 5: Type of Comment Received by Source**

Type	Internet	% Internet *	Card	% Card *	Employee	% Employee *	Total	% Total
Comment	4	4.7%	15	31.9%	0	0.0%	19	14.1%
Suggestion	5	5.8%	20	42.6%	2	100.0%	27	20.0%
Request	58	67.4%	4	8.5%	0	0.0%	62	45.9%
Compliment	7	8.1%	7	14.9%	0	0.0%	14	10.4%
Complaint	17	19.8%	7	14.9%	1	50.0%	25	18.5%

\* Percentages do not add up to 100 because some cards & forms were classified as more than one type.

It is apparent from the analysis that most of the Internet Comment Cards had requests for information on them. This seems to be an Internet Comment Card phenomenon because very few Comment/Suggestion Cards and no Employee Comment/Suggestion Forms were submitted in the form of requests. These other two comment venues were concentrated primarily on suggestions for improvement and general comments. It is noteworthy that for the second consecutive year, complaints accounted for less than 20% of all comments. Also, there were a number of comments (10%) that were complimentary toward individuals as well as the entire Department.

### **Comments With and Without Merit**

The Committee implemented a follow-up survey of each Division and Section that received a comment, suggestion or complaint via the customer service channels. These follow-up surveys were conducted every three to four months. On these forms, the person responsible for the comments in each Division or Section was asked to determine which comments had merit and which did not. A comment is considered to have merit if it addresses a situation



over which the Department has both the authority and the ability to take some action. Table 6 illustrates the number and percentage of comments received that were considered to have merit, listed by the type of comment instrument received.

**Table 6: Comments Received With Merit**

	Internet Card	Comment Card	Employee Form	Totals
Comments With Merit	70	14	1	85
Total Comments Received	86	47	2	135
Percent With Merit	81.4%	29.8%	50.0%	63.0%

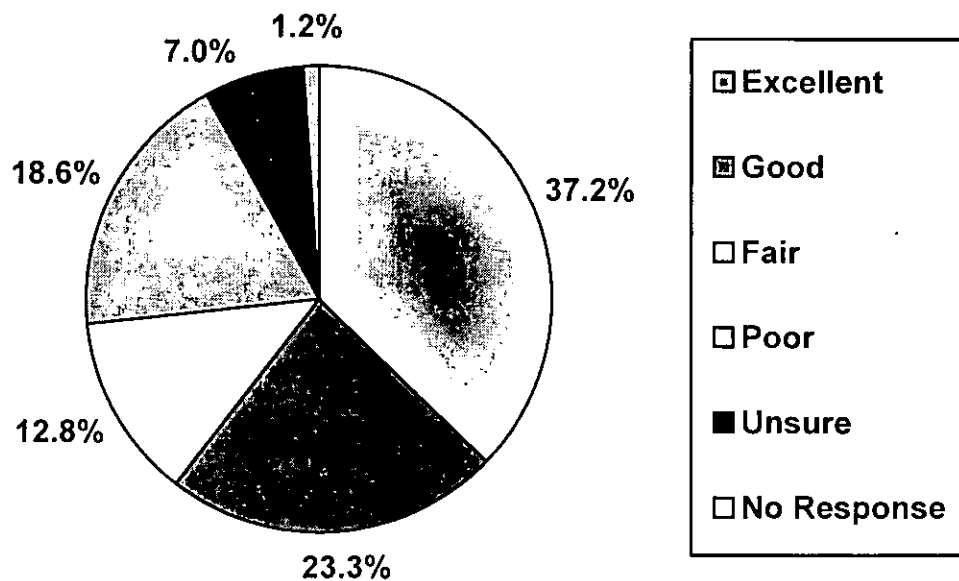
This table demonstrates that nearly two-thirds of all comments received had merit. While over 80% of comments received from the Internet had merit, less than 30% of the Comment/Suggestion Cards had merit. The primary reason that many Comment/Suggestion Cards were not considered to have merit is that several of these cards were submitted with scant comments or comments that were not relevant to Wildlife and Fisheries.

### **Overall Public Satisfaction**

Before the Internet Comment Card was in place on the web site, there was no formal way for the Department to gather information concerning the overall public perception of the Department. This measure is not currently on any other survey instrument that is distributed to the general public. This year, the results (Figure 2) show that the Department is viewed as "excellent" or "good" by over 60% of all people filling out Internet Comment Cards. This represents an increase in satisfaction from last year when 52% of respondents rated the Department "excellent" or "good." Unfortunately, the "poor" rating also increased from 15.7% to 18.6%. Since one-half of the "poor" ratings can be attributed directly to non-resident license fee increases by the Louisiana Legislature in 2000, it seems likely that this elevated "poor" rating of the Department will be temporary. It is always the goal of the Committee and the Department to minimize "poor" ratings by customers while maintaining a high level of "excellent" and "good" ratings.

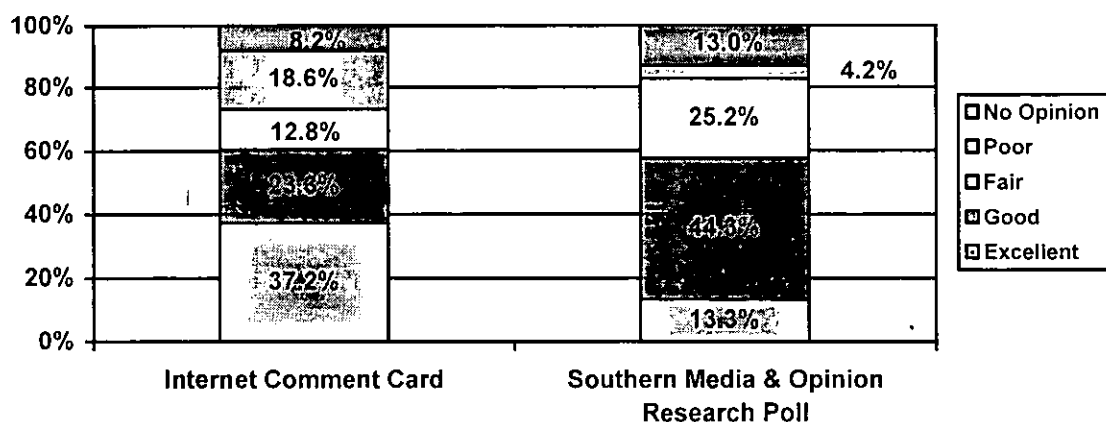


**Figure 2: Overall Satisfaction (86 Internet Responses)**



Between March 1 and March 6, 2000, the Southern Media & Opinion Research (SMOR), an independent research company, conducted a telephone poll of 600 registered voters in the state of Louisiana. One of the questions asked to the respondents was, "As you may know, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is in charge of managing many of our outdoors recreational areas as well as enforcing our hunting and fishing laws. Would you rate the job of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is doing as excellent, good, fair, or poor?" In Figure 3, there is comparison of this poll with the results from the Internet Comment Card.

**Figure 3: Comparison of Overall Satisfaction Between the Internet Comment Card and the Southern Media & Opinion Research Poll Conducted in March 2000.**



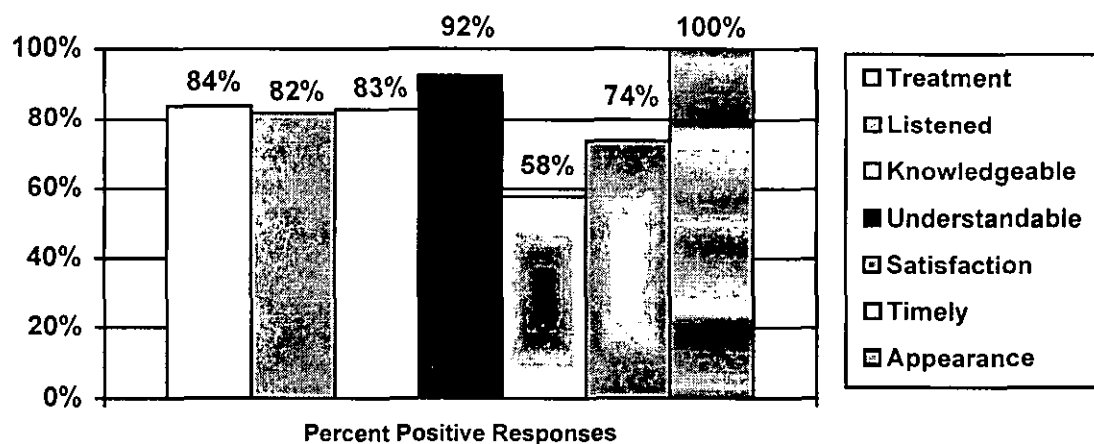


The comparison shows that Internet Comment Card respondents tended to have stronger opinions than those who answered the SMOR poll. This result is expected since the Internet respondents are presumably users of the Department's services and therefore have a stake in how the Department uses its resources, whereas respondents of the SMOR poll may or may not ever use the Department's services. It is noteworthy that when the "Excellent" and "Good" categories are combined the differences in the polls diminishes greatly. This also occurs when the "Fair" and "Poor" categories are combined.

### Objective Comment Card Questions

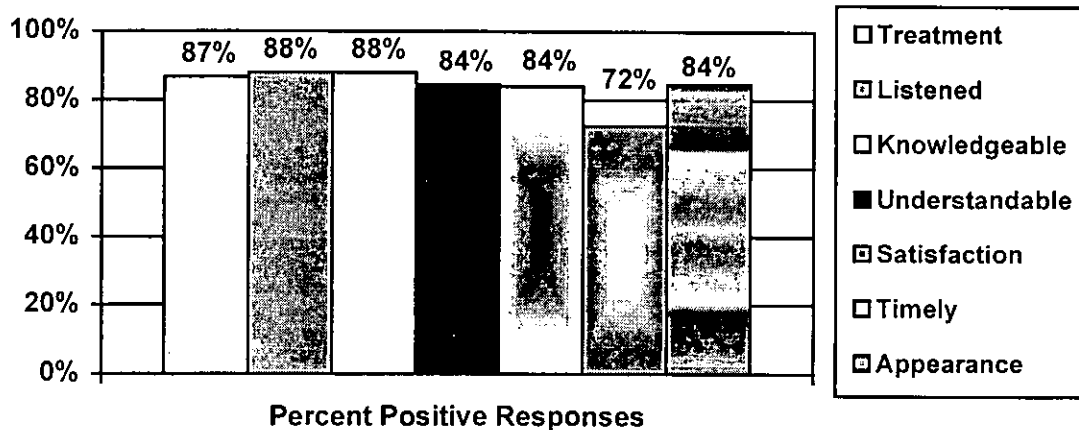
On both the Internet Comment Card and the Customer Service Comment/Suggestion Card there were seven objective questions (see Appendix B, questions 5a. to 5g. and Appendix C, questions 6a. to 6g.). These questions were tallied using the answer, "Yes" as positive, the answer, "No" as negative and the answer, "Somewhat" as a perfectly neutral answer (i.e. 50% positive and 50% negative). Figures 4 and 5 show the results of the answers to these questions.

Figure 4: Internet Comment Card Form Objective Questions Summary





**Figure 5: Customer Service Comment/Suggestion Card Objective Questions Summary**



Looking at these results, it is apparent that Internet users are significantly less satisfied with how the Department handles their questions and problems than Comment/Suggestion Card users. This may be due to the fact that the Internet is an easy way to voice complaints without having to go to an office or speak with anyone face-to-face. Also, as people are getting accustomed to the Internet and other computerized automation, they seem to expect results more quickly and efficiently than those who do not have substantial computer experience.

The most noteworthy change in these results from last year is that respondents of both the Internet Comment Card and the Customer Service Comment/Suggestion Card experienced significant increases in satisfaction and timeliness. This year, the Internet Comment Card ratings for satisfaction and timeliness are 58% and 74% respectively compared with only 50% and 57% last year. Similarly, this year's ratings for satisfaction and timeliness on the Customer Service Comment/Suggestion Card are 84% and 72% respectively compared with 67% and 70% last year. The reason for these increases in satisfaction and timeliness is unclear, but may at least partially reflect the increased emphasis by the Department on customer service since the Customer Service Committee was created in 1999.



## **Employee Satisfaction Survey**

Beginning in April of 2000, the Committee began working on a survey, tentatively titled *Employee Assessment 2000*. Due to the relatively infrequent meetings of the Customer Service Committee, it took nearly a year to create a finished product. The survey was designed to solicit the opinions of Department employees to identify areas of concern where the Department may be able to improve intradepartmental customer service. It also was intended to provide the Customer Service Committee with an assessment of the current level of employee satisfaction with the way the Department is currently functioning. The objectives of the survey were for Department personnel to become more effective at efficiently providing services to its customers and to identify ways that the Department could enhance morale and foster a more positive and receptive work environment for its employees.

After examining the survey and initially making suggestions for improvement, the Department's executive committee (consisting of the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Assistant Secretaries, and the Undersecretary) decided against implementing the survey.

## **National Hunting and Fishing Day 2000**

In 2000, National Hunting and Fishing Day events were held around the state on Saturday September 23. This year, surveys were distributed at Bodcau Wildlife Management Area near the Department's Minden district office. There were a total of 227 surveys completed by attendees (Survey instrument in Appendix E).

The results (Appendix F) show that the people that attend the National Hunting and Fishing Day event tend to have a more positive perception of the Department than the Internet users. More than 90% of the respondents categorized their overall perception of the services they have received from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries as excellent or good compared with about 60% of the Internet users.



The average survey respondent was between 36 and 55 years old, and over three-quarters of respondents were male. Also, respondents participated in some wildlife or fishery-related activity an average of 89 days per year. Almost one-half of the respondents to the survey had attended between one and five National Hunting and Fishing Day events prior to 2000. Approximately one-quarter of respondents were attending their first National Hunting and Fishing Day event.

About 90% of survey respondents lived in one of the three surrounding parishes to Bodcau WMA (Bossier, Caddo, and Webster Parishes) with Bossier Parish accounting for about 42% of all respondents. The remainder lived in Texas, Arkansas, and other parishes in north Louisiana.

The average survey respondent participated in four wildlife and fishery-related activities. The most common activity was fishing with approximately 87% of respondents participating. Hunting was a close second among respondents with 85% participating, while camping came in third and boating fourth with 71% and 52% participation respectively.

For the first time at National Hunting and Fishing Day, the Department's mission was defined and survey respondents were asked whether they believed that the Department was fulfilling its mission. An overwhelming majority (92%) agreed that the Department is adequately fulfilling its mission.

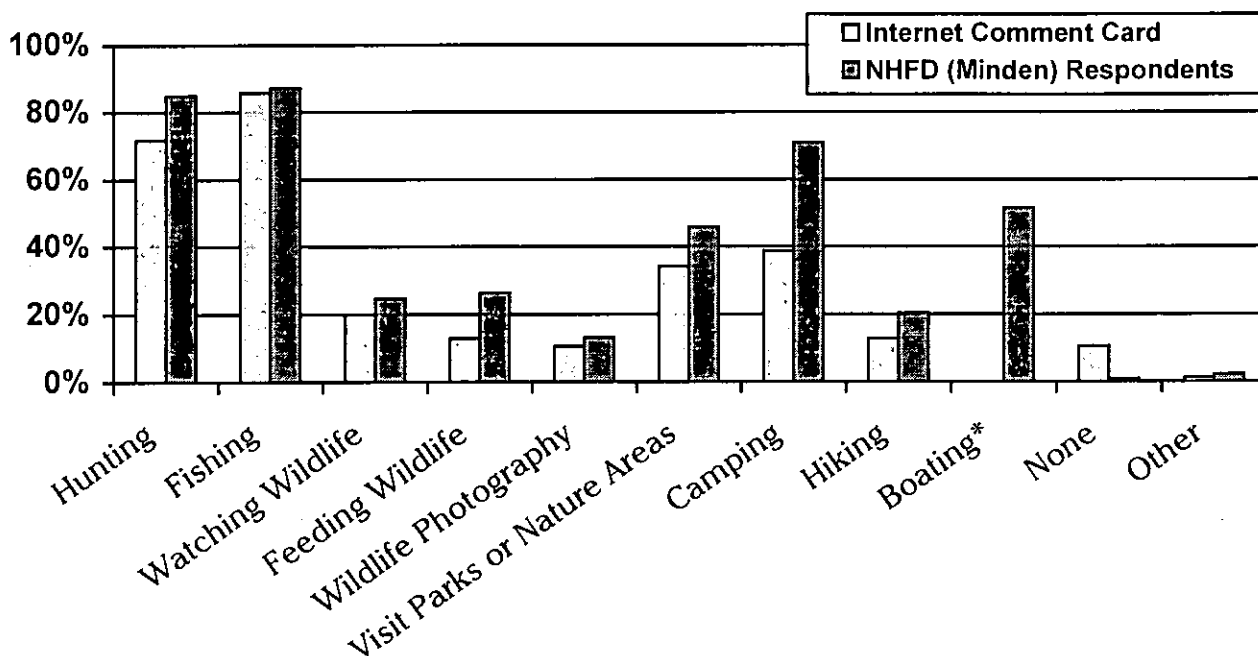
Respondents were asked to identify the factors that prevented them from participating in wildlife and fishery-related activities more often. By far the most popular answer was "Not Enough Time" which was chosen by 67.6% of respondents. Other factors that were listed by at least 20% of respondents were "Need More Good Places to Hunt / Fish" (27.4%) and "Not Enough Money" (21.9%).



## Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Customers

In order to find ways to improve customer service, the Committee has identified getting to know and understand the Department's customers better as a primary goal. This is the reason for the question regarding the types of wildlife and fishery-related activities on the 2000 National Hunting and Fishing Day questionnaire. A similar question was also placed on the Internet Comment Card as question number four.

**Figure 6: Wildlife & Fishery-Related Activities Comparison**



\* Boating was not a specified option on the Internet Comment Card. Boating may or may not be reflected in the "Other" category or the "None of These" category.

Figure 6 shows a comparison of the participation rates in wildlife and fishery-related activities by Internet users and National Hunting and Fishing Day participants. For both groups, fishing, hunting and camping were the top three activities listed. The results of the comparison show that Internet respondents participated between 1% and 15% less than National Hunting and Fishing Day participants in all categories listed except camping where their participation was 32% less. The boating category currently is not an available response on the Internet Comment Card. However, given the answers by the Bodcau WMA



survey respondents, it may be worth considering placing this option on the Internet Comment Card.

While these results do not directly impact the way that the Department perceives its customer base, it does emphasize the fact that many of the Department's customers participate in several different forms of outdoor activities. Tending to these customers' needs should not be overwhelmed by the more traditional perception of Wildlife and Fisheries' consumption-based customers (hunters and fishers).

## Customer Service in 2002

In the next year, the Department is planning more initiatives to improve customer service. As was noted above, currently the only publicly distributed form in which there is an "Overall Satisfaction" question is the Internet Comment Form. The Committee has added this question to the Customer Service Comment/Suggestion Card and will distribute the updated card to replace the old card by the end of 2001.

At the National Hunting and Fishing Day events in 2001, the Customer Service Committee conducted another extensive survey at the Monroe district office location. This location was chosen due to the relatively high annual turnout at that site and because no customer service surveys have been conducted at this site prior to 2001. Results of the analysis of this survey will be available in the near future. These results will be compared with the results from prior years to see if there are any clear demographic differences in attendees of the National Hunting and Fishing Day events in different areas of the state.

The Committee will be updating the topical telephone reference list that it created last year. This project was initiated due to the complaints received by some of the customers and employees concerning the number of telephone transfers that the customers were having to wade through to get to the correct person to address their needs. In addition, the parish contact directory that was included with the topical telephone reference list will be updated. A new contact by parish for Hunter's Education will be included in the updated list. This



will enhance the directory which already has contacts listed by parish for the Enforcement, Wildlife, Inland Fisheries, and Marine Fisheries Divisions.

During the coming year, the Committee will continue to show the video, *Quality Service in the Public Sector*, as an integral part of employee orientation. Also, the Committee has chosen to show another customer service training video, *E-Mail Errors*, to departmental employees. The video will be shown during planned meetings to expose as many people to the video as possible. This video outlines several problems that individuals commonly have when dealing with e-mail that conflict with good customer service policy.

During the analysis of the Customer Service Comment/Suggestion Cards for this report, it was noted that many of the receptacle boxes placed around the state have been unused since being placed at their current locations (8 out of 20). In the future, the Committee will periodically evaluate each box location in order to consider whether or not a box should be moved to another Department location where it may be more likely to receive use.

Beginning with the 2002 commercial and recreational fishing regulations booklets, the customer service area that is located on the Department's Internet web site will be published in Department brochures that are distributed to various groups and made available to the public. This is being done in order to publicize the customer service program at the Department and to encourage customer service feedback from users of the Department's services.

Due to time and budget constraints, the Committee was unable to do any thorough comparisons of the Department's customer service with the customer service of other state and federal government agencies. An attempt will be made this year to compare the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries with other agencies' customer service initiatives.



## Conclusion

The past year was the second full year that the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has had in place a means by which to collect and analyze comments from the general public and customers of the Department. Where possible, results from this year were compared with the results obtained during the prior year.

Comparing this year's results to last years, the Department has improved its performance in several critical areas. The overall satisfaction of the public (from Internet responses) improved in both the "excellent" and "good" categories. The only significantly negative result from this year's results was that the "poor" overall satisfaction rating also increased. Although there is still considerable room for improvement, the Department received significant increases in the ratings for satisfaction and timeliness from both the Comment/Suggestion Card and the Internet Comment Card.

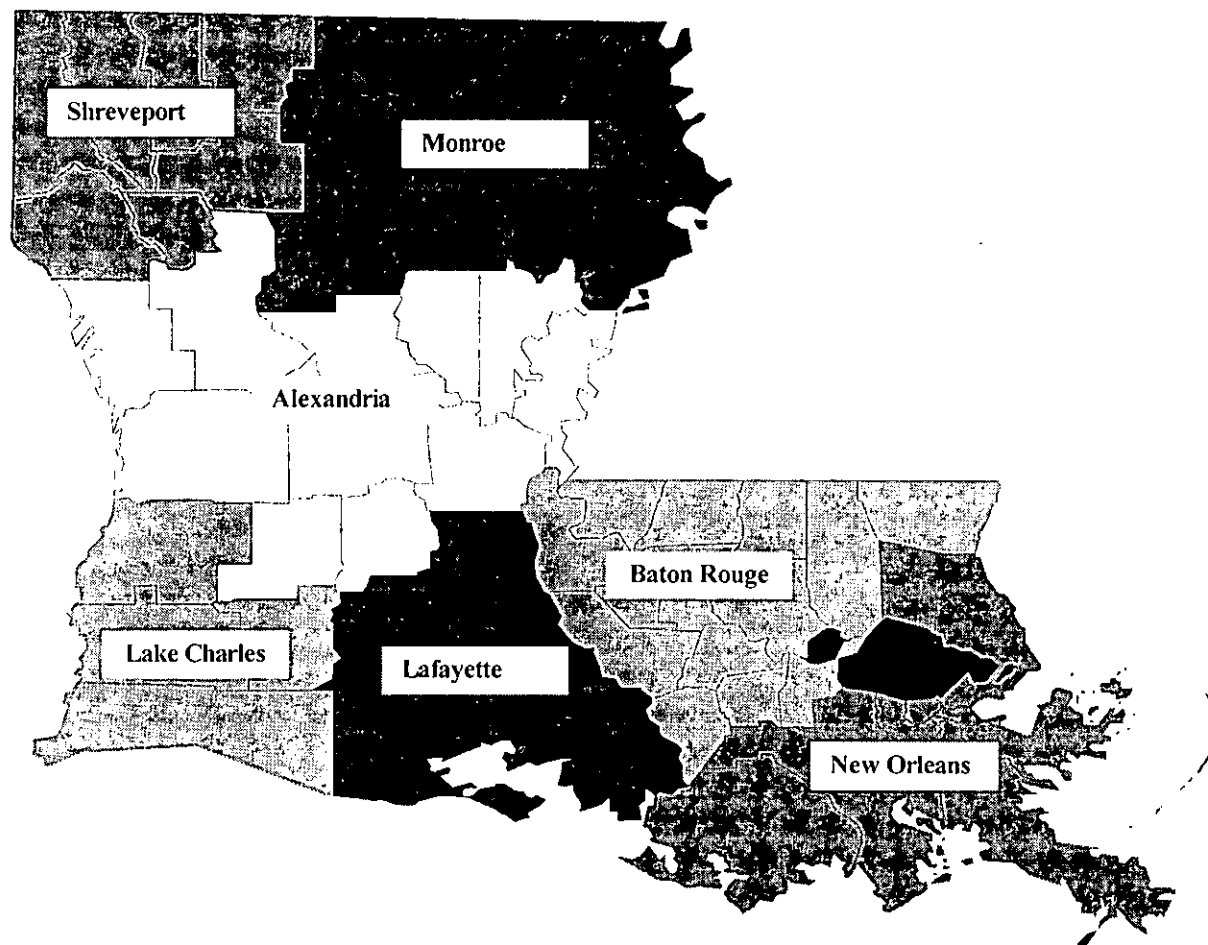
In the analysis, there are several areas where the Department has found that it is serving the residents of Louisiana very well. However, there are also several areas where there is room for improvement. While most of the comments received were related to requests for information, suggestions for improvements, or other general comments, there were a substantial number of complaints as well.

Finally, the members of the Committee are continually looking for steps that may be taken to alleviate or avoid complaints that have merit as well as ways to improve the overall quality of customer service at the Department. We hope that by allowing customers (including employees) to tell us directly what their needs and concerns are with the Department, we can avoid any miscommunication that might occur through other means. In the future, the Customer Service Committee and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries will continue to strive to provide the highest quality of customer service possible to the people of the State of Louisiana.



# Appendix A

## Metropolitan Regions of Louisiana



## Parishes Included in Individual Metropolitan Regions

Shreveport	Monroe	Alexandria	Lake Charles	Lafayette	Baton Rouge	New Orleans
Bienville	Caldwell	Allen	Beauregard	Acadia	Ascension	Jefferson
Bossier	East Carroll	Avoyelles	Calcasieu	Iberia	Assumption	Lafourche
Caddo	Franklin	Catahoula	Cameron	Lafayette	East Baton Rouge	Orleans
Claiborne	Jackson	Concordia	Jefferson Davis	St. Landry	East Feliciana	Plaquemines
De Soto	Lincoln	Evangeline		St. Martin	Iberville	St. Bernard
Red River	Madison	Grant		St. Mary	Livingston	St. Charles
Webster	Morehouse	La Salle		Vermilion	Pointe Coupee	St. Tammany
	Ouachita	Natchitoches			St. Helena	Terrebonne
	Richland	Rapides			St. James	
	Tensas	Sabine			St. John the Baptist	
	Union	Vernon			Tangipahoa	
	West Carroll				Washington	
	Winn				West Baton Rouge	
					West Feliciana	



## Appendix B

### **Front side of LDWF Customer Comment / Suggestion Card**

#### LDWF Comment / Suggestion Card

1. What type of service or activity were you seeking from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries? (Please be specific) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  2. Where was the location of the office or activity you visited (city / place)?  
\_\_\_\_\_
  3. So that we may get to know our customers better, please tell us your primary occupation.  
\_\_\_\_\_
  4. In which parish do you live? \_\_\_\_\_  
  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. For each statement that applies to your situation, please circle the best response:
- |  |     |    |          |
|--|-----|----|----------|
| a) The treatment you received was courteous and respectful.                                | Yes | No | Somewhat |
| b) The person you spoke with listened attentively to you regarding your request / problem. | Yes | No | Somewhat |
| c) The person you spoke with was knowledgeable.  | Yes | No | Somewhat |
| d) The person you spoke with was easy to understand.                                       | Yes | No | Somewhat |
| e) Your questions or problems were dealt with to your satisfaction.                        | Yes | No | Somewhat |
| f) Your questions or problems were dealt with in a timely manner.                          | Yes | No | Somewhat |
| g) The appearance of the facility you were in was neat and clean.                          | Yes | No | Somewhat |
| h) Can you think of anything that we can do to improve our service to you? *               | Yes | No |          |

\* If yes, please fill out the comment section on the back.



## Reverse side of LDWF Customer Comment / Suggestion Card

Place Tape Here	
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Socioeconomic Section P.O. Box 98000 Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000	
Place Tape Here	
<div>Please Place First Class Postage Here</div>	
<hr/>	
Comments or Suggestions: <hr/>	
<hr/>	
<hr/>	
<hr/>	
If you would like a personal response to your concerns, please provide us with the following:	
Name: <hr/> Phone: ( <hr/> ) <hr/>	
Address: <hr/>	
City, State, Zip: <hr/>	
E-mail address (if applicable): <hr/>	
Please deposit this card in the Comment / Suggestion Box located near the entrance of selected facilities operated by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, or simply fold, tape, and send it to us via U.S. mail.	
You may also submit your comments or suggestions at any time to the Department's home page: <a href="http://www.wlf.state.la.us">http://www.wlf.state.la.us</a>	
Thank you for taking the time to help us improve our service to you.	
Place Tape Here	



# Appendix C

## CUSTOMER SERVICE COMMENT/SUGGESTION CARD

### Required information:

1. What type of service or activity were you seeking from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries?  
(Please be specific)

2. What was the location of the office or activity you visited (city/place)?

3. If you reside in Louisiana, please let us know what area of the state (parish) you live in.

4. Tell us which activities you participate in (please check all that apply):

- ☐ Hunting  
☐ Fishing  
☐ Watching Wildlife (inc. birds)  
☐ Feeding Wildlife (inc. birds)  
☐ Wildlife Photography  
☐ Visit Public Parks or Nature Areas  
☐ Camping  
☐ Hiking  
☐ None of these  
☐ Other (please specify below)

5. Please indicate your overall satisfaction level with the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries: (check one)

- ☐ Excellent  
☐ Good  
☐ Fair  
☐ Poor  
☐ Unsure

6. For each statement please indicate the best response:

a) The service you received was courteous and respectful.

- ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat ☐ Does not apply

b) The person you spoke with listened attentively to you regarding your request/problem.

- ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat ☐ Does not apply



c) The person you spoke with was knowledgeable

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat ☐ Does not apply

d) The person you spoke with was easy to understand.

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat ☐ Does not apply

e) Your questions or problems were dealt with to your satisfaction.

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat ☐ Does not apply

f) Your questions or problems were dealt with in a timely manner.

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat ☐ Does not apply

g) The appearance of the facility you visited was neat and clean.

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat ☐ Does not apply

**Optional information:**

Comments and suggestions:

Name:

Age:

Occupation:

Address 1:

Address 2:

City:

State:

Country:

Postal (Zip) Code:

E-mail:

Phone #:

☐ Check here if you would like a personal response to your comments.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this comment form.



## Appendix D



# Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries



## Employee Comment / Suggestion Form

Comments, Complaints\*, Suggestions, Criticisms\*:

---

---

---

---

---

Suggestions for Improvements or Changes:

---

---

---

---

---

**Optional:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Office/Division/Section:** \_\_\_\_\_

\* Complaints and criticisms without suggestions for improvement will not be considered.

Please feel free to deposit this form in one of the Customer Service Comment/Suggestion boxes located at various department locations throughout the state, bring it to room 257 in the Baton Rouge Headquarters building, or mail it to:

Customer Service Committee

ATTN: Steve Welch

LDWF, Socioeconomic Section

P.O. Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000

After being recorded, this form will be routed to the appropriate office, division or section. Thank you.



# Appendix E



## National Hunting and Fishing Day 2000

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
CUSTOMER SERVICE QUESTIONNAIRE



Please provide the following information to help the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries serve you better.

1. Please indicate your:

a) Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

b) Age: ☐ < 16 ☐ 16 - 24 ☐ 25 - 34 ☐ 35 - 44 ☐ 45 - 54 ☐ 55 - 64 ☐ > 64

c) Zip Code of Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is your overall perception of the service(s) you have received from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries?

☐ Excellent ☐ Good ☐ Fair ☐ Poor ☐ Unsure

3. What types of wildlife and fishery-related activities do you participate in? (Check All That Apply)

☐ Hunting ☐ Fishing ☐ Watching Wildlife (Incl. Birds) ☐ Feeding Wildlife (Incl. Birds)  
☐ Wildlife Photography ☐ Visit Public Parks or Nature Areas ☐ Camping ☐ Hiking ☐ Boating  
☐ None ☐ Other (Please Specify): \_\_\_\_\_

4. Approximately, how many days per year do you participate in wildlife and fishery-related activities? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What factor(s) prevents you from participating in wildlife and fishery-related activities more often? (Check All That Apply)

☐ Not Enough Money ☐ Not Enough Time ☐ Not Enough Interest ☐ Length of Seasons  
☐ Need More Good Places To Hunt/Fish ☐ Other (Please Explain) \_\_\_\_\_

The Department's mission is to: (1) manage, conserve, and promote wise utilization of Louisiana's renewable fish and wildlife resources and their supporting habitats through replenishment, protection, enhancement, research, development, and education; (2) provide opportunities for knowledge of and for the use and enjoyment of the resources placed under the stewardship of the Department; and (3) provide a safe environment for the users of these resources.

6. Do you feel that the Department is adequately fulfilling its mission? ☐ Yes ☐ No

7. What can the Department do in the future to better fulfill its mission?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. How can the Department improve its services to you personally?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. How important is it to you that Louisiana maintain and preserve its abundant wildlife and fisheries resources?

☐ Very Important ☐ Somewhat Important ☐ No Opinion/Don't Know  
☐ Not Very Important ☐ Not Important At All

10. Before today, how many times have you attended National Hunting and Fishing Day events in Louisiana? \_\_\_\_\_

11. Where did you hear about the National Hunting and Fishing Day event? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any other comments, please place them on the back of this page. Thank you.



This image shows a single sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There is no text or other markings on the paper.

Thank you for taking the time to help us get to know our customers better.



# Appendix F

## Results of the National Hunting and Fishing Day 2000 Survey

Perception of LDWF		
Rating	Frequency	Percent
Excellent	109	48.9%
Good	93	41.7%
Fair	15	6.7%
Poor	0	0.0%
Unsure	6	2.7%
Total	223	

Home Locations of People in Attendance		
Parish	Frequency	Percent
Bossier	93	42.5%
Webster	58	26.5%
Caddo	47	21.5%
Other Parishes	15	6.8%
Other States	6	2.7%
Total	219	100.0%

Times Attended an NHFD Event		
Times	Frequency	Percent
0	52	24.3%
1 - 5	102	47.7%
6 - 10	30	14.0%
11 - 15	15	7.0%
16 - 20	15	7.0%
Total	214	
Average	4.8	Times

LDWF Fulfilling Its Mission?		
Response	Frequency	Percent
Yes	202	92.2%
No	17	7.8%
Total	219	

Participation Rates in Wildlife-Associated Activities		
Activity	Frequency	Percent
Hunting	193	85.0%
Fishing	198	87.2%
Watching Wildlife (including birds)	56	24.7%
Feeding Wildlife (including birds)	60	26.4%
Wildlife Photography	30	13.2%
Visit Public Parks or Nature Areas	104	45.8%
Camping	161	70.9%
Hiking	46	20.3%
Boating	117	51.5%
None	2	0.9%
Other	5	2.2%
Total Respondents	227	
Total Responses	972	
Average Number of Responses	4.3	

Factors Preventing More Participation in Wildlife Activities		
Factors	Frequency	Percent
Not Enough Money	48	21.9%
Not Enough Time	148	67.6%
Not Enough Interest	5	2.3%
Length of Seasons	30	13.7%
Need More Good Places To Hunt/Fish	60	27.4%
Other	15	6.8%
Total Respondents	219	
Total Responses	306	
Average Number of Responses	1.40	

Respondent Demographics		
Age	Frequency	Percent
< 16	12	5.4%
16 - 24	13	5.8%
25 - 34	39	17.5%
35 - 44	76	34.1%
45 - 54	56	25.1%
55 - 64	17	7.6%
> 64	10	4.5%
Total	223	

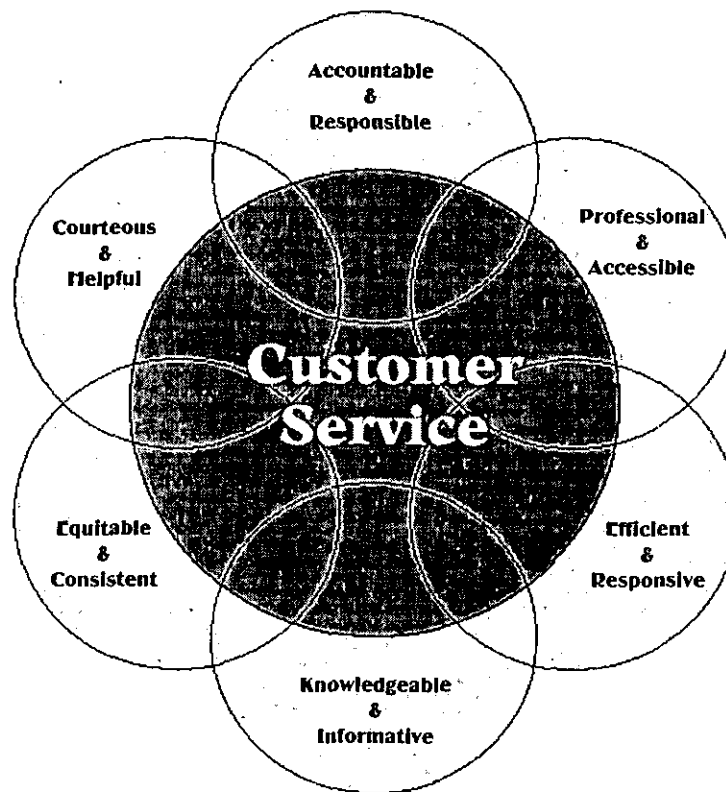
Importance of Wildlife and Fisheries Resources		
Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	215	96.8%
Somewhat Important	7	3.2%
Not Very Important	0	0.0%
Not Important At All	0	0.0%
No Opinion/Don't Know	0	0.0%
Total	222	

Where Respondent Heard of the NHFD Event		
Location	Frequency	Percent
Media (TV, Newspapers, Radio)	69	33.7%
Friends/Family	41	20.0%
Clubs/Scouts/Church	35	17.1%
Other Advertisements	20	9.8%
State or Army Personnel	19	9.3%
Work/School/Word of Mouth	13	6.3%
Gun Show/Retail Store	9	4.4%
Annual NHFD Attendance	6	2.9%
Other (Unspecified) Locations	9	4.4%
Total Responses	219	
Total Respondents	205	

Participation Days/Year in Wildlife Activities		
Total Days (All Responses)		18,177
Total Responses		205
Average Days Per Response		88.7



# *Customer Service Plan & Customer Service Employee Action Plan 2002*



*A Commitment to Service Through Wildlife  
and Fisheries Management*

Customer Service Committee  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

October 2001



## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Appreciation is extended to the members and advisor of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries *Customer Service Committee* for their efforts and ideas in the development of the Customer Service Plan and the Customer Service Employee Action Plan. Special recognition is conferred upon Undersecretary James L. Patton, Chairman of the Committee and David Lavergne, Economist Manager for their wisdom and guidance in preparing this report. Appreciation is specifically extended to Steven J. Welch, Economic Research Analyst, Socioeconomic Research and Development Section, Office of Management and Finance for compiling and preparing the Department's Customer Service Plan and the Customer Service Employee Action Plan.

## COST STATEMENT

Two hundred copies of this public document were printed at a cost of \$198.74. This document was compiled, prepared and printed by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Office of Management and Finance, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808.

*The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries follows a non-discriminatory policy in programs and employment.*



## **TABLE OF CONTENTS**

<b><u>CUSTOMER SERVICE PLAN 2002</u></b>	<b><u>Page</u></b>
Introduction .....	1
Key Customer Services .....	2
Customer Service Standards .....	3
Soliciting Information from Customers and Employees .....	4
Addressing and Tracking Customer Complaints .....	6
Comparing Results .....	7
Dissemination of Customer Service Information .....	8
Procedures and Time Line for Reporting Customer Service Results .....	8
 <b><u>CUSTOMER SERVICE EMPLOYEE ACTION PLAN 2002</u></b>	
Introduction. ....	10
Employee Customer Service Training .....	11
Employee Ideas for Customer Service .....	12
Employees as Customers .....	12
 <b><u>APPENDIX</u></b>	
Executive Order MJF 97-39 .....	A – 1



# LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

## CUSTOMER SERVICE PLAN 2002

### Introduction

The goal of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Customer Service Plan is to ensure the delivery of effective, efficient and responsive customer service of the highest quality. To accomplish this goal, the Department will:

- *Identify key customer services,*
- *Provide training for its employees,*
- *Research new ways to provide better overall customer services,*
- *Prominently display minimum expected customer service standards,*
- *Find bench marking partners and*
- *Continually seek feedback from customers and employees to identify changes necessary to meet customer needs and expectations.*

Individuals and entities who receive services, use products or resources managed by the Department or whose success or satisfaction in some way depends upon the actions of the Department are the Department's **customers**. Some examples of these customers are: commercial and recreational fishers, processors, wholesale and retail dealers, hunters, land owners or lessors, owners or lessors of private water bodies (i.e., ponds, lakes, etc.), seismic companies, boaters, campers, bird watchers, hikers, wildlife photographers, educators, school children, consumers of wildlife and fish products, and other groups from the general public.

In addition to customers, Department employees also have contact with **stakeholders**. Stakeholders are individuals or entities who have a vested interest in the Department or its activities, but they may not necessarily use the products or resources or receive the services of the Department, such as vendors, conservation groups, legislators, etc. **Stakeholders are not addressed in this Customer Service Plan, but are recognized as performing an**



**important role in helping the Department accomplish its goals.** This Customer Service Plan was developed in accordance with the procedures and guidelines outlined in Executive Order No. MJF 97-39 (Appendix). The Plan has been prepared by the *Customer Service Committee* as a cooperative and coordinated project involving all levels of the staff from all of the Offices and various managerial units within the Department.

### **Key Customer Services**

Key services provided by the Department to its customers include:

- *Managing, conserving, promoting and protecting resources*
- *Replenishing, fortifying and enhancing renewable resources*
- *Researching to improve methods of resource management*
- *Authorizing use of resources*
- *Registering and inspecting water crafts*
- *Sponsoring and conducting educational programs*
- *Conducting compliance patrols and inspections*
- *Investigating boating accidents and marine thefts*
- *Conducting search and rescue activities*
- *Performing business audits, inspections and investigations*
- *Providing technical assistance*
- *Making resources accessible*
- *Responding to inquiries*
- *Disseminating information*
- *Promoting safe enjoyment of outdoor activities*
- *Publicizing departmental employment opportunities*



## Customer Service Standards

Customer Service Standards describe and set the standard of quality for services the Department provides to its customers. Customers have **expectations** based on the amount and quality of service they receive from other public and private agencies and organizations. Providing resources, services, and information constitutes only a portion of what customers expect from the Department. They also expect that:

- *They will be treated with courtesy,*
- *Their questions will be addressed promptly,*
- *The answers they receive to their questions will be communicated to them in a clear, understandable manner,*
- *The atmosphere and environment where they receive services will be pleasant and safe,*
- *The services, products and resources they are seeking will be accessible and*
- *They will have a variety of choices (whenever possible).*

When these characteristics are incorporated into an employee–customer relationship, they define the **quality of service** delivered.

The State Customer Service Standard is to provide “effective, efficient and responsive customer service that is of the highest quality.” Accordingly, the Department has developed the following list of **Customer Service Standards** to which all employees must adhere. These standards are prominently posted at locations where Key Customer Services are provided so that employees will be reminded of the kind of service that they are expected to deliver. Additionally, all administrators are encouraged to add standards specific to their particular office, division or section.

- *We will always treat our customers with courtesy and respect.*
- *We will provide our customers with information that is current and accurate. If unsure, our staff will find a more knowledgeable person to assist.*
- *We will work continually to streamline and improve our services.*



- *We will make every effort to communicate with our customers in a clear, understandable manner.*
- *We will maintain a neat appearance and a positive attitude.*
- *We will respond promptly to all inquiries, requests, suggestions and complaints. Every effort will be made to provide a complete and accurate response.*
- *We will provide fair and consistent treatment to all customers.*
- *We will encourage feedback and actively listen to our customers so that we may better understand their motivations and how to best provide products, services and information.*

### **Soliciting Information from Customers and Employees**

The Department solicits information from customers and employees using a variety of methods. Customers are provided with several ways to communicate their needs and expectations, offer comments for improvement and express their overall satisfaction with the Department. These include:

- *Having public forums where comments and suggestions are encouraged (These occur at the monthly Commission meetings and other statewide meetings held throughout the year.),*
- *Periodically conducting surveys of randomly selected customers,*
- *Placing a suggestion box near the entrance to many building locations where customers receive services,*
- *Placing customer service comment cards at customer service counters, information desks and other visible locations and*
- *Providing an area on the Department's Internet web page for customers to record complaints, suggestions and requests for information on any topics or services provided.*



Employees are solicited and provided opportunities to give feedback to administrators. Comments from employees are heard, documented and passed up the chain of command. Employees and volunteers that deal directly with the public are an invaluable source of ideas on how to improve efficiency and quality of services. Through interaction with customers, employees and volunteers receive feedback in the form of compliments, complaints and/or suggestions based on the customers' needs and expectations.

Methods used to solicit employee comments for improving customer services include:

- *Providing an area for comments on the Department's internal web page,*
- *Setting aside time during staff and periodic program review meetings to discuss employees' ideas and receive comments on customer service issues and*
- *Periodically conducting employee surveys.*

It will always be optional to record name, address and telephone number on comment cards, electronic messages from the web page and other survey instruments. However, the Department encourages customers and employees to identify themselves so that a written response can be made. Customer and employee surveys will be conducted periodically by the Department provided that funds are available for this purpose.

Customer and employee input provides a solid basis for setting and revising Customer Service Standards. The renowned quality expert W. Edwards Deming once said, "What gets measured gets done." In an effort not only to maintain, but improve the quality of customer service at the Department, these Customer Service Standards are published, posted and tracked. Customer satisfaction may be used as a primary criterion when judging the performance of an office, division or section and when judging the effectiveness of management. It may also be used as a tool when making resource allocation decisions.



## Addressing and Tracking Customer Complaints

Front-line employees should always try to answer customer complaints in a clear, courteous and easy to understand manner and be fully responsive to customer concerns and needs regarding the Department's services. If an employee is unable to satisfactorily handle a customer's complaint, he or she will direct the customer to the appropriate party for resolution or redress. The Department recognizes that not all customer complaints may be satisfied since it operates under rules and regulations that are governed by law.

Each complaint will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. All customer complaints received by the Department's customer service program will be recorded, reviewed, categorized and maintained on file by a designated *Customer Service Committee* representative. This is so that timely follow-up contact can be made to determine if the complaint was resolved as well as to aid in generating the annual *Customer Service Assessment Report*. If a complaint has merit, the administrator or supervisor-in-charge will discuss the complaint with staff to determine ways to alleviate or avoid future complaints.

The *Customer Service Assessment Report* will:

- *Provide an objective measurement of overall customer satisfaction for the entire Department.*
- *Summarize the number of comments, suggestions, and complaints received by type.*
- *Summarize all comments received by whether or not they have merit.*
- *Provide information concerning steps that can be taken to alleviate or avoid complaints that have merit as well as suggest ways to improve customer service.*

The *Customer Service Assessment Report* and information collected from comment cards, electronic messages and surveys of customers and employees will provide the necessary information to adjust services to meet the needs and expectations of the Department's customers. This information will also allow the Department to measure and compare overall customer satisfaction with other private and public agencies or organizations.



## **Comparing Results**

The Department's customer satisfaction survey rating results will be compared to other public and private agencies or organizations that perform the same or similar activities or services. Customer satisfaction ratings will be posted and published on the Department's web site, in customer service areas, in annual performance reports and other department publications. A copy of the customer service plan will be obtained from any agency or organization that has a higher customer service rating or reputation. These plans will be reviewed to see if any of the policies, procedures or standards may be applied to improve the Department's customer service rating. Several possible public agencies with which the Department may be compared to are listed below.

### **Federal:**

U.S. Forest Service

U.S. Geological Survey

U.S. Department of the Treasury

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

U.S. Department of the Interior - Bureau of Land Management

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

National Marine Fishery Service

U.S. Coast Guard

National Resource Conservation Services

### **State (Louisiana):**

Department of Agriculture and Forestry

Department of Environmental Quality (Air and Water Permitting Section)

Department of Natural Resources

Department of Revenue



Office of State Police  
Office of State Parks  
Office of Motor Vehicles

**Other States:**

Wildlife and Fishery Agencies

**Dissemination of Customer Service Information**

Customer service information is disseminated by all Offices using various communication media. The Information Section provides assistance and support in developing, producing and distributing information to customers using various printed, video, audio and personal communication methods. Offices are encouraged to include education and dissemination of information to the public as part of employee job duties and responsibilities. For example, the enforcement division has a public information officer at headquarters and regional information specialists that provide information to the media.

**Procedures and Time Line for Reporting Customer Service Results**

The Department will maintain a *Customer Service Committee* composed of employees from each Office and various other managerial units, headed by the Undersecretary or his or her designee. At the beginning of each calendar year, the Committee, through the various offices, divisions and sections, will implement an annual customer service assessment program that will elicit information from customers and employees for the *Customer Service Assessment Report* and the *Customer Service Plan*.

Each Office, Division or Section will submit a summary of customer service for its respective departmental entity to the *Customer Service Committee* no later than the first day of September of each year. The *Customer Service Committee* will develop, conduct and analyze or contract an outside source to assist in developing, conducting and analyzing customer and employee



surveys. These surveys will identify the needs and expectations, measure satisfaction levels and solicit comments and suggestions for improving services and operations. The Committee or contractor will compare survey results with other private and public agencies providing similar services and with baseline information from previous surveys. Information from the customer and employee surveys and the *Customer Service Assessment Report* will be used in the *Customer Service Plan* to be submitted to the Office of the Governor through the Commissioner of Administration by the first day of November of each year.



# **LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES**

## **CUSTOMER SERVICE EMPLOYEE ACTION PLAN 2002**

### **Introduction**

The *Customer Service Employee Action Plan* will:

- *Identify essential training needs and tools necessary to meet the level of customer service standards demanded by customers.*
- *Provide employees with access to available customer service training resources, programs and essential tools necessary to deliver products, resources and services at the level that meets the established customer service standards.*
- *Collect and analyze employee expectations, needs and suggestions for attaining, improving and implementing the Department's Customer Service Plan.*
- *Establish an Employee Comment form that may be printed from the Department's internal web site and submitted anonymously.*

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (the Department) is committed to providing employees with ample opportunities to communicate their needs and expectations regarding the manner in which the customer service standards are implemented. The Department is also interested in ideas that employees may express regarding the delivery of effective, efficient and high quality service to customers. So that it may continually improve customer service, the Department intends to conduct periodic employee surveys. In addition, it will encourage employees to comment and discuss customer service issues at staff and program review meetings. By collecting and disseminating information, comments and suggestions utilizing the Department's internal web page and electronic mail system, the Department aims to enhance customer service and promote an atmosphere that is conducive to accomplishing the goal of its Customer Service Plan.



## Employee Customer Service Training

Employees will be given access to training that will help them to serve the Department's customers better. These classes and other training methods are essential to providing employees with the knowledge required to implement the Department's Customer Service Plan effectively.

- *The Department will make available training resources and classes to meet employees' needs through the Comprehensive Public Training Program (CPTP), the Office of Telecommunications Management and other available public and private agencies or organizations.*
- *As recommended by CPTP, employees will be encouraged to take or retake courses to maintain or improve working knowledge of how to effectively deal with people.*
- *Customer service training will be offered to employees through an in-house training program. All new employees will be given a customer service presentation as a part of new employee orientation, and presentations will be given at other employee meetings on a voluntary basis.*
- *Any front-line employee who handles inquiries from the public or performs any kind of customer service will have the opportunity to learn active listening skills and will be encouraged to take courses that develop skills needed to deal with the public. They will also be given the opportunity to learn techniques in managing difficult people with whom they come in contact.*
- *All clerical support staff will be encouraged to take a telephone communication course (telephone etiquette training) that teaches skills on how to properly handle customers by telephone.*
- *Supervisors and managers will be encouraged to take classes in conflict resolution, customer service training and in conducting on-the-job training.*
- *Cadets in the Enforcement Division's Training Academy will continue to receive customer service training as part of their required twenty-one-week training regimen.*
- *Other divisions and sections will provide on-the-job training as part of the initial orientation of new employees.*



A list of the CPTP courses offered to state employees can be found on the CPTP Internet home page (<http://www.state.la.us/cptp/cptp.htm>) or by contacting the Department's Personnel Section. These instructional courses are designed to increase the employee's level of knowledge and confidence when interacting with the Department's customers. This will help the employee to make more informed decisions when dealing with both foreseen and unforeseen situations. All CPTP training courses are provided to departmental employees at no charge. They will be available during working hours and scheduled in coordination with the employee's supervisor and CPTP's schedule.

### **Employee Ideas for Customer Service**

The most recent survey of employees for ideas regarding the effective delivery of customer service was in 1999. A detailed list of ideas generated by this survey can be found in the *1999 Customer Service Assessment Report*.

### **Employees as Customers**

Customer service at the Department has traditionally focused primarily upon its external customers. However, the Department recognizes that, to provide the highest quality customer service, it must look beyond the scope of the traditional definition of a customer. In this light, the Department recognizes that many of its employees, at times, are also customers of the Department. Often, departmental personnel rely on the services and assistance of employees in other divisions and sections, effectively making them customers of those divisions and sections.

Improving intradepartmental customer service will foster an atmosphere that promotes better relationships between units of the Department, better morale within the Department, and ultimately, better customer service to our external customers.

To address these customers of the Department, training is needed to provide each employee with an awareness of how he or she serves others within the Department. A training video is available specifically for this purpose.



Periodically, surveys may be done in order to gather information regarding employees' attitudes toward the Department, their customers, and other customer service-related issues. It is felt that it will be beneficial for administrators of the Department to be aware of the feelings and thoughts of the employees on certain issues. Administrators may be able to facilitate cooperation between units of the Department to help create an atmosphere conducive to positive customer relations.



# Appendix

## EXECUTIVE ORDER MJF 97-39

### State Customer Service Standard

WHEREAS: it is the duty of the State of Louisiana to timely deliver government customer services that are of the highest quality and responsive to the public's needs;

WHEREAS: the State of Louisiana intends to achieve higher levels of citizen satisfaction by delivering quality, timely, and responsive government services which meet its customer service obligations;

WHEREAS: to enable the State of Louisiana to meet its goal of providing a superior level of customer service, all levels of state government employees could benefit from a statewide employee customer service training program that identifies customer expectations and assists state government employees in satisfying those expectations;

NOW THEREFORE I, M.J. "MIKE" FOSTER, JR., Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: State Customer Service Standard. All departments and agencies in the Executive Branch, State of Louisiana, and all officers and employees thereof (hereafter "state agencies") shall strive to deliver to the individuals and entities they serve effective, efficient, and responsive customer service that is of the highest quality.

SECTION 2: Implementation of Standard. In implementing the state customer service standard, all state agencies that serve the public directly shall perform the following nonexclusive list of duties:

- A. identify all of the services provided by the state agency;
- B. identify the customers who are, and should be, served by the state agency;
- C. determine the service expectations of those customers;
- D. determine the present level of satisfaction those customers have with the services of the state agency;
- E. compare the state agency's present customer service performance to the level of customer service presently being delivered to customers by other governmental and/or nongovernmental entities that are models of successful customer service;



F. disseminate customer service information to the public and make available a user-friendly customer service improvement system; and

G. develop an internal structure that effectively addresses customer complaints and prevents future customer service dissatisfaction.

SECTION 3: Support for State Government Employees. Each state agency shall work with its employees to develop a state employee plan that will compliment the state agency's customer service strategy. Each plan shall describe the customer service training resources and programs being provided by the state agency for its employees who are directly serving customers and for the managers of those employees. The plan should identify the types of training resources and programs that would improve the state agency's customer service levels, indicate how those training resources and programs would improve the level of the state agency's customer service, and provide a strategy which indicates how those training resources and programs will be provided. The state employee plan shall also include the following information:

A. a detailed explanation of employee expectations and needs regarding the manner in which the state customer service standard is implemented;

B. a detailed list of employee ideas for improving the level of customer satisfaction and attaining the state customer service standard; and

C. indicate types of customer service training that is necessary to provide employees with the essential tools to deliver goods and services at the level that meets customer service standard.

SECTION 4: Annual Customer Service Plan. Beginning with the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1998, each state agency shall implement an annual customer service plan. The state agency shall develop its initial plan and submit it to the Office of the Governor, through the commissioner of Administration, by November 1, 1998. The state agency shall develop and submit an annual update by November 1 of each successive year.

The state agency's annual customer service plan shall include the state agency's customer service goals for complying with the state customer service standard that is specifically tailored to the particular service provided by the state agency. Each plan shall identify and describe the level of customer service being delivered to customers by relevant, successful governmental or nongovernmental agencies, and present a comparative evaluation of the difference in quality of the customer service provided by the state agency and by relevant, successful governmental or nongovernmental agencies. If the level of quality of the state agency's customer service is not equivalent to, or better than, the level of the relevant, successful governmental or nongovernmental agency customer service, the state agency shall explain the reason for the disparity in the customer service quality, and the action being taken to rectify the situation.



SECTION 5: Annual Customer Service Assessment. Beginning with December 1998, at the end of every calendar year, each state agency shall implement an annual customer service assessment that elicits from customers and employees information regarding:

A. changes in customer needs and expectations;

B. the level of overall customer satisfaction with the state agency's service; and

C. suggestions for improvement. This information shall be used by the state agency in measuring its overall performance level, the effectiveness of its leadership, and in allocating its resources.

SECTION 6: Miscellaneous Provisions. This Order shall not and does not create any right of action, any cause of action, or any substantive, procedural, or equitable right enforceable by, or in favor of, any person or entity against the State of Louisiana or any department, commission, board, agency, political subdivision, or officer or employee thereof.

All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the implementation of the provisions of this Order.

This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the Governor, or terminated by operation of law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 23rd of September, 1997.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR  
Fox McKeithen  
Secretary of the State



**ENFORCEMENT CASE REPORT**

**NOVEMBER 2001**



REGION 1:MINDEN  
18 Agent positions

PARISHES: BIENVILLE, BOSSIER,  
CADDO, CLAIBORNE,  
WEBSTER

TOTAL CASES	104
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
12	Boating Safety
7	Angling W/O A Resident License
4	Fishing W/O Resident Cane Pole License
1	Possession Over Limit Black Bass
1	Caddo lake - Yo-Yo Regs
4	Hunting W/O A Resident License
1	Hunt W/O License - Non-Resident
5	Hunt From A Moving Vehicle
1	Hunt W/Unplugged Gun
3	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
1	Hunt W/O Non-Resident Big Game License
4	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
2	Hunt Deer Illegal Methods
4	Hunt Deer From Public Road
3	Field Possession Untagged Deer Meat
17	Failure To Wear Hunter Orange



2	Hunt W/O Muzzleloaders License
1	Take Spotted Fawn
2	Hunt MGB Illegal Hours
2	Hunt MGB From Moving Boat
2	Possession Of Lead Shot In Zone Designated As Steel Shot
5	Hunt Ducks Closed Season
1	Hunt Ducks Closed Season (State)
8	Not Abiding By R&R On WMA
3	Illegal Spotlighting From Public Road
3	Littering
5	Operate An ATV On Public Road

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
9	
2	Boating Safety
1	Hunt W/O A Resident License
5	Failure To Wear Hunter Orange
1	Not Abiding By R&R On WMA



**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
7 deer; 3 - 7mm rifles; 1 - 270 cal rifle; 1 spotlight; 2 teals; 1 spoonbill; 1 gadwall; 1 spotted fawn; 1 Benelli rifle; 1 black bass; 31 - 12 Ga. shotgun shells; 12 - 12ga shotgun hulls; 1 - 300 cal rifle; 1 woodduck .

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 1**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
12	Boating
00	Commercial Fishing
12	Federal Migratory
3	Littering
16	Miscellaneous
13	Recreational Fishing
48	State Hunting/Trapping
9	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
00	Public Assistance



REGION 2: MONROE  
20 Agent positions

PARISHES: E. CARROLL, JACKSON,  
LINCOLN, MOREHOUSE  
QUACHITA, RICHLAND  
UNION, W. CARROLL

TOTAL CASES		137
TOTAL	CITATION DESCRIPTION	
1	Angle W/O A Non-Resident License	
11	Angle W/O A Resident License	
5	Boating	
4	Discharge Firearm From Public Road	
1	Driving While Intoxicated	
5	Fail To Wear Hunter's Orange	
2	Hunt, Stand or Loiter From Public Road	
2	Hunt Ducks Without Federal Duck Stamp	
4	Hunt Deer Illegal Methods	
13	Hunt Deer From A Public Road	
10	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours	
17	Hunt From Moving Vehicle	
2	Hunt w/o Resident Hunting License	
2	Hunt Wild Quadrupeds Illegal Hours	
5	Hunt W/O Big Game License	
5	Hunt Raccoons Illegally	
2	Hunting With Unplugged Gun	



1	Hunting On WMA Without WMA Permit
4	Illegal Spotlighting From Public Road
1	Littering
1	No Permit To Mount Migratory Birds
27	Not Abiding By Rules and Regulations On WMA
4	Possess Other Non-game Birds
1	Possession of Illegally Taken Deer
4	Take or Possess non Game Bird
2	Take Illegal Deer in Open Season
1	Take Over Limit Of Deer

**WRITTEN WARNINGS: 23**

2	Hunt Without Resident License
2	Hunt Without Resident Big Game License
1	Use WMA W/O License or Permit
11	Not Abiding By Rules and Regulation on WMA
1	Angle W/O a Resident License
4	Fail To Comply With P.F.D. Requirements
1	Fail to Wear Hunters Orange
1	No Running Lights (Boat)

**CONFISCATIONS:**

4-Deer; 1-Rem. 270 w/scope; 2-Spotlights; 1-Rem. Model 700 Rifle; 1-Rem.22cal. Rifle w/scope; 1-Ruger 300 win. Rifle; 1-Marlin 30-30 cal. Rifle; 1-Hawk; 1-Wood Duck.



**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 2 (Monroe)**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
5	Boating
-0-	Commercial Fishing
11	Federal Migratory
1	Littering
1	Miscellaneous
12	Recreational Fishing
107	State Hunting/Trapping
23	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
25	Public Assistance (Assisting Stranded Motorists and Boaters)



REGION 3:ALEXANDRIA

PARISHES:AVOYELLES, GRANT  
 NATCHITOCHES  
 RAPIDES, SABINE  
 VERNON, WINN

26 Agent positions

TOTAL CASES	174
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
7	Boating
4	Angling W/O A License
1	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License
1	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License
1	Sell Fish W/O Retail Seafood License
12	Hunt From A Moving Vehicle
1	Hunt Deer W/Illegal Weapon
8	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
8	Hunt W/O A Resident License
1	Hunt W/O Muzzleloader License
18	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange
4	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
1	Discharge Firearm From Public Road
10	Hunt, Stand, or Loiter From Public Road
1	Take Over Limit Of Deer



3	Possession Of Illegally Taken Deer
3	Hunt Deer Illegal Methods
2	Not Abiding By Commission R/R
2	Hunt Wild Quad. Illegal Hours
3	Take Illegal Deer O/S
1	Possession Of Wild Birds W/O Permit
1	Hunt W/Unplugged Gun
2	Attempt To Take Over Limit Of Deer
1	Possess Over Limit Of Deer
3	Hunt W/O Non-Resident Basic Hunting License
3	Hunt W/O Non-Resident Big Game License
5	Hunt Deer From Public Road
29	Not Abiding By WMA Rules & Reg.
2	Hunt W/O Obtaining Season Permit
6	Hunt On WMA W/O WMA Hunting Permit
1	Hunt In Closed Area
1	Criminal Trespass
2	Operate ATV On Public Road
1	Obtain License By Fraud
2	Littering



6	Possession Of Marijuana
4	Possess Schedule IV Drugs W/O Prescription
3	Hunt M.G.B.'s Illegal Hours
1	Using Lead Shot In Area Des. Steel Shot Only
3	Hunt M.G.B. From A Moving Motor Boat
2	Possess Over Limit Of Ducks
2	Wanton Waste Of M.G.B.'s
2	Hunt M.G.B.'s W/Unplugged Gun

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 40</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
1	Boating
3	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange
1	Hunt W/O Resident Basic Hunting License
2	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
26	Not Abiding By WMA Rules & Regulations
3	Hunt On WMA W/O WMA Hunting Permit
2	Fail To Remove Deer Stand Daily
2	No Orange Cap



**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>	
1,352 lbs. catfish, 1 hoop net, 1 pistol, 13 rifle, 5 scope, 2 resident basic hunting license, 2 wma hunting permits, 1 resident big game license, 4 marijuana cigarettes, 5 plastic bags of marijuana, 1 rolling papers, 1 scissors, 2 shotguns, schedule IV drugs, drug paraphernalia, 3 button buck deer, 6 doe deer, 1 axe, 1 rabbit, 1 spotlight, 19 dmap tags, 1 dmap deer kill records, 1 buck deer, 22 ducks.	

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 3**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
7	Boating
3	Commercial Fishing
13	Federal Migratory
2	Littering
14	Miscellaneous
4	Recreational Fishing
131	State Hunting/Trapping
40	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
0	Public Assistance



REGION 4: FERRIDAY  
24 Agent positions

PARISHES: CALDWELL, CATAHOULA  
CONCORDIA, FRANKLIN  
LASALLE, MADISON, TENSAS

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
2	Boating safety violations
1	Angling w/o a license
4	Take or possess game fish illegally
1	Fail to have commercial license in possession
1	Take commercial fish w/o a commercial license
2	Use illegal mesh nets (2" gill net)
2	Take undersize catfish with wire net
2	Hunting w/o resident license
6	Hunting from moving vehicle
1	Hunt wild quadrupeds illegal hours
1	Obtain license fraudulently
3	Hunt w/o resident big game license
4	Hunt or take deer illegal hours
1	Hunt or take deer from public road
2	Fail to comply w/hunters orange regulations
1	Hunt w/o muzzleloader license



1	Hunt ducks w/o federal stamp
1	Taking grebe no season
29	Not abiding by rules and regulations on WMA
2	Illegal possession of marijuana
2	Littering
2	Other than wildlife (possession of drug paraphernalia

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
7	
2	Failure to comply with hunters orange regulations
4	Not abiding by rules and regulations on wma
1	Use WMA without permit

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
2 deer; 1 grebe; 35 catfish; 25 crappie; 11 bream; 1 rifle; 1 spotlight; 1 hoop net; 200 yds. 2" gill net; 1 boat, motor & trailer; marijuana & rolling papers.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 4**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
2	Boating
10	Commercial Fishing
2	Federal Migratory



2	Littering
4	Miscellaneous
1	Recreational Fishing
50	State Hunting/Trapping
7	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
5	Public Assistance



REGION 5: LAKE CHARLES  
23 Agent positions

PARISHES: BEAUREGARD, CALCASIEU  
EVANGELINE, ALLEN,  
CAMERON, ACADIA,  
VERMILION, JEFF DAVIS

TOTAL CASES	160
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
13	Boating
15	Angling W/O A License
7	Angling W/O A Non. Res. License
2	Angling W/O Saltwater License – Non. Res.
5	Take Or Poss. U/S Red Drum (Rec)
13	Take Or Poss. U/S Black Drum (Rec)
1	Commercial Rules/Regulations Red Snapper (Rec./Undersize)
3	Selling &/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's License
6	Hntg. From Moving Vehicle
2	Hntg. W/Unplugged Guns
3	Hntg. W/O A Res. License
3	Hntg. Wild Quadrupeds &/Or Birds Illegal Hours
2	Hntg./Stand/Loiter From Public Road
1	Obtain License Fraudulently
2	Hntg. W/O Res. Big Game License



4	Hntg./Or Take Deer Illegal Hours
1	Hntg. Deer Illegal Method
4	Hunt Or Take Deer From Public Road
1	Hunt Or Take Deer W/Illegal Weapon
2	Hunt Or Take Illegal Deer O/S
3	Failure To Wear Hunter's Orange
1	Poss. Of Live Non Game Quadrupeds W/O Permit (Bobcat)
3	Hntg. MGB W/O State Hunting License
6	Hntg. Ducks Or Geese W/O Federal Stamp
5	Hntg. MGB W/O State Stamp
1	Hntg. MGB W/Unplugged Gun
4	Hntg. MGB Illegal Hours
4	Hntg. MGB Over Baited Areas
5	Using Lead Shot In Area Designated As Steel Shot Only
2	Hntg. MGB W/Electronic Calling Device
1	Poss. O/L of Doves
2	Hntg. Ducks C/S
1	Poss. O/L of Ducks
2	Taking Ibis No Season
1	Miscellaneous Federal Charges – Aiding & Abetting



26	Not Abiding By Rules/Regulations On WMA
1	Illegal Spotlighting From Public Road
1	Other Than WLF Charges
1	Discharge Firearm From Public Road

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL    9</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
1	Angling W/O A License
1	No Boat Numbers
2	Failure To Display Valid Decal
1	Expired Boat Registration Certificate
1	Failure To Wear Hunter's Orange
1	Failure To Comply W/PFD Requirements
2	Not Abiding By Rules/Regulations On WMA

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
25 u/s blackdrum rtw; 4 u/s reddrum rtw; 2 shotguns; 15 shotgun shells; 6 lead shot shells; 1 electronic caller; 1 button buck; 1 deer; 10 ducks; 4 teal; 5 ibis; 1 bobcat; 1 ziplock bag soybean sample; grain sample of milo/corn; 4 rods; 4 reels.



**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 5**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
13	Boating
3	Commercial Fishing
37	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
3	Miscellaneous
43	Recreational Fishing
35	State Hunting/Trapping
26	Wildlife Management Areas
9	Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
1	Public Assistance



REGION 6:OPELOUSAS  
24 Agent positions

PARISHES: IBERIA, IBERVILLE,  
PT.COUPÉE,LAFAYETTE  
ST.MARTIN,IBERIA  
IBERVILLE,W.B.R.

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>149</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
45	Boating
23	Angling W/O License
1	Fail To Comply With Hunter Safety
2	Take/Possess Commercial Fish W/O Vessel License
1	Take Or Sell Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License
3	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License
4	Take/Possess Undersized Black Drum
1	Take Overlimit Black Drum
3	Angling W/O Non-Resident License
1	Fail To Mark Softshell Crab Containers
1	Take Illegal Size Black Bass
3	Hunt W/O Resident License
1	Hunt MGB W/O State Stamp
1	Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealers License
1	Theft Of Crab Traps



5	Hunt From Moving Vehicle
2	Hunt From Public Road
24	Not Abiding By Rules/Regulations On WMA
2	Hunt Ducks Or Geese W/O Federal Stamp
2	Hunt W/O Muzzleloader License
1	Hunt Wild Quadruiped Illegal Hours
2	Transport Of Completely Dressed MGB ducks
4	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
1	Hunt With Unplugged Gun
1	Littering
3	Angling W/O Non-Resident License
4	Rallying MGB
1	Use Leadshot In Steel Shot Area
1	Possess Overlimit Of Coots
2	Possess Overlimit Of Ducks
3	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange



**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 44</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
8	Boating
8	Hunt WMA W/O WMA Permit
15	Not Abiding By Rules And Regulations On Refuge
5	Use WMA W/O License
4	Angling W/O License
1	Fail To Wear Hunter Orange
1	Hunt W/O Resident License
1	Hunt W/O State MGB Stamp
1	Hunt W/O Big Game License

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
137 lbs. shrimp, 1 jet ski, 7 black drum, 1 rod and reel combo, 1 black bass, 1 ice chest, check in the amount of \$120.00, 4 crab traps, 1 rabbit, 11 breasted ducks, 2 whole ducks, 1 rifle, 1 doe deer head, 1 daily permit, 26 coots, 5 leadshot shells, 2 resident recreational fishing licenses.



## TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 6

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
45	Boating
9	Commercial Fishing
12	Federal Migratory
1	Littering
24	Miscellaneous
35	Recreational Fishing
23	State Hunting/Trapping
44	Written Warnings

## TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
1	Public Assistance



REGION 7:BATON ROUGE

22 Agent positions

PARISHES: ASCENSION, E.B. ROUGE,  
E. FELICIANA, LIVINGSTON,  
ST. HELENA, ST. TAMMANY,  
TANGIPAHOA, WASHINGTON,  
W. FELICIANA

TOTAL CASES	134
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
14	Boating
15	Angle W/O A License
1	Angle W/O A Pole License
2	Angle W/O A Non-Resident License
1	Angle W/O Non-Resident Saltwater License
1	Selling Fish W/O Wholesale Retail License
8	Hunt W/O Basic Reg. License
1	Hunt W/O Bow License
2	Hunt W/Unplugged Shotgun
1	Hunt W/O A Muzzle Loader License
6	Hunt W/O WMA Permit
3	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
3	Hunt W/O MGB State Stamp
11	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange



TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
1	Possession Of Gun While Bow Hunting
1	Possession Of Buckshot During Closed Season
14	Hunt Deer During Illegal Hours
14	Hunt From A Moving Vehicle
12	Hunt From A Public Road
1	Hunt Deer Closed Season
12	Violate Rules And Regs. On WMA Area
1	Violate Rules And Regs. On State Land
3	Obtain License By Fraud
1	Negligent Injury
3	Theft
2	Contributing To The Delinquency Of A Juvenile
1	Resisting An Officer
1	Misrepresentation During Issuance Of Misdemeanor

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

TOTAL 13	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
6	Violate Rules And Regulations In WMA
1	Boating
3	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange



2	Angle W/O A Basic License
1	Hunt W/O A Basic License

**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
2—Shotguns, 4 rifles, 2 lights, 5 rifle rounds, 3 licenses.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 7**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
14	Boating
1	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
7	Miscellaneous
19	Recreational Fishing
95	State Hunting/Trapping
13	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
1	Public Assistance



REGION 8: NEW ORLEANS  
18 Agent positions

PARISHES: PLAQUEMINE, ST. BERNARD,  
ORLEANS, JEFFERSON  
ST. CHARLES

TOTAL CASES	141
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
21	Boating
24	Angling W/O License
12	Angling W/O A License Non-Resident
2	Angling W/O Saltwater License
5	Angling W/O Saltwater Lic Non-Resident
3	Take/Poss. O/L Red Drum
8	Take/Poss. Undersized Red Drum
1	Take/Poss. Undersized Spotted Seatrout
11	Take/Poss. Undersized Black Drum
2	Take/Poss. O/L Black Drum
7	Commission Rules and Regs. Red Snapper
3	Take or Sell Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Lic.
2	Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.
1	Sell and/or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealer's Lic.
2	Take/Poss. U/S Fish
4	Use Crab Traps W/O Required Markings



2	Removing Legal Crab Traps
1	Allow Unlicensed fisherman use CML Vessel Lic.
1	Allow Unlicensed fisherman use CML Gear Lic.
2	Theft of Crab Trap
3	Failure to have Written Permission
3	Unlawfully Take Oysters Off a Private Lease
1	Fail to Maintain Traceable Oyster Records
1	Possess Wild Birds W/O A License
2	Failure to Abide By Field Trial Regulations
2	Hunting W/Unplugged Gun
1	Obtain License Fraudulently
1	Hunt or Take Illegal Deer Open Season
1	Hunt/Trap on DMAP Lands W/O Permit From Owner/Lessee
1	Hunting Ducks W/O Federal Stamp
2	Hunting MGB with Unplugged Gun
1	Hunting MGB Illegal Hours
1	Hunt on WMA without WMA Hunting Permit
1	Other Than Wildlife and Fisheries
1	Misrepresentation during issuance of Misdemeanor summons
1	Violation of Sanitary Code-Chapter 9



1	Fail to have Mullet Net Tagged With Dept Tag
3	Take CML Mullet Closed Season

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

TOTAL 32	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
9	Boating
5	Angling W/O A License
1	Take /Poss. Undersized Red Drum
1	Take/Poss. Undersized Black Drum
1	Take Undersize Oysters From Natural Reef
1	Hunting W/O Resident Lic.
1	Hunt MGB W/O State Stamp
10	Hunt on WMA without WMA Hunting Permit
3	Not Abiding By Rules & Regulations on WMA

**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
<p>Returned to water....black drum (9)...oyster sacks (190)...crabs(12)</p> <p>Destroyed...Red Drum(3)</p> <p>Donated....Red Drum(67)...Black Drum(19)...Speckled Trout(85)...Channel Catfish(70)...Red Snappers(22)...Flounder(1)...Gadwall(1)...Rabbits(4)...Deer(2)...Teal(2)</p> <p>Hardware Confiscated...Dredges(4)...Sports License(2)...Crab Traps(10)...Rifle(1)...Shotgun(2)...Comm. Lic. Vessel(1)...Comm. Dredge Lic.(2)...Rod and Reel(13)...Ice Chest(1)...Gill Net(1)...Crate(1)...Mullet Net(2).</p>



**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 8**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
21	Boating
23	Commercial Fishing
6	Federal Migratory
1	Littering
14	Miscellaneous
68	Recreational Fishing
8	State Hunting/Trapping
32	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
4	Public Assistance



## REGION 9: SCHRIEVER

PARISHES: ASSUMPTION, ST.  
JAMES, ST. JOHN, ST. MARY  
TERREBONNE, LAFOURCHE  
JEFFERSON-GRANDE ISLE  
LOWER ST. MARTIN

25 Agent positions

	164
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
18	Angling W/O A License
1	Violate Recreational Gear License Requirement
8	Angling W/O Saltwater License
34	Boating
1	Commission Rules and Regulations Undersize Cobia
1	Take Illegal Size Black Bass
4	Take Undersized Red Drum Recreational
1	Take Undersized Spotted Sea Trout Recreational
3	Take Undersized Black Drum Recreational
1	Take Game Fish Illegally (Redfish)
2	Possess O/L Of Red Drum In Excess Of 27" Recreational
2	Fail To Have Commercial License In Possession
1	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License (Crab Trap)
2	Take Commercial Fish W/O Vessel License
2	Destroy Legal Crab Traps
1	Possession Of Buckshot During Closed Deer Season



4	Hunt Wild Quadrupeds Illegal Hours
3	Hunt MGB W/O State Stamp
2	Hunting W/O Resident License
4	Hunting From Moving Vehicle
3	Hunting With Unplugged Gun
5	Fail To Wear Hunters Orange
4	Hunt Deer Illegal Hours
2	Hunt Deer Illegally From A Boat
1	Hunt W/O Resident Big Game License
1	Hunting Ducks W/O Federal Stamp
1	Hunting With Unsigned Duck Stamp
2	Hunting MGB With Unplugged Guns
1	Hunting MGB Illegal Hours
1	Using Lead Shot In Area Designated As Steel Shot Only
6	Hunting MGB From Moving Motorboat
1	Possess Over Limit Of Ducks (Field Possession)
1	Violation Of Sanitary Code (Incomplete Log)
17	Hunt On WMA Without WMA Hunting Permit
5	Not Abiding Rules And Regulations On WMA By Hunting Deer With Firearm During Archery Season
1	Not Abiding Rules And Regulations On WMA By Having Loaded Firearm In Boat Underway



7	Not Abiding Rules And Regulations On WMA By Over Limit Crabs
9	Not Abiding Rules And Regulations On WMA Non Camping Area
1	Not Abiding Rules And Regulations On WMA By Hunting With Muzzle Loader During Archery Season

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 17</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
5	Boating
1	Angling Without A License
1	Angling Without A License Non-Resident
1	Angling Without A Saltwater License
1	Angling Without A Saltwater License Non-Resident
1	Fail To Mark Oyster Lease While Harvesting
1	Hunt MGB Without State Stamp
1	Failure To Abide By Commission Rules (Unlicensed Adult Accompanying Youth During Youth Hunt
1	Use WMA Without License
4	Hunt WMA Without Permit



**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>	
1 gray duck, 19 teal, 9 shovlers, 50 coots, 1 mottled duck, 4 deer, 2 cobia, 13 lbs shrimp, 771 crabs, 3 black drum, 29 red drum, 3 rifles, 4 shotguns, 1 cast net, 1 champagne basket, 1 federal duck stamp, various firearm shells.	

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 9**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
34	Boating
6	Commercial Fishing
13	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
41	Miscellaneous
42	Recreational Fishing
28	State Hunting/Trapping
17	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
3	Public Assistance



**OYSTER STRIKE FORCE**  
**3 Agent positions**

**COASTAL WATERS**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
6	Boating
2	Fail To Have Commercial License In Possession
1	Take Or Sell Commercial Fish W/O A Commercial Fishing License
2	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License In Possession
3	Take Or Possess Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Vessel In Possession
2	Fail To Have Written Permission
2	Unlawfully Take Oysters From Private Lease
1	Harvester Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester License
1	Fail To Have Mullet Net Tagged With Department Tag
1	Allow Unlicensed Fisherman To Use Commercial Vessel
1	Allow Unlicensed Fisherman To Use Commercial Gear
2	Fail To Fill Out Required Harvester Log Sheet
1	Take Undersized Oysters From Natural Reef
1	Failure To Display Proper Number On Vessel
5	Angling W/O A Basic License
3	Angling W/O A Saltwater License



1	Angling W/O A Basic License Non-Resident
1	Angling W/O A Saltwater License Non-Resident
1	Take Or Possess Gamefish Illegally
5	Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA Overlimit Of Blue Crabs
1	Commission Rules And Regs. Cobia Undersize
1	Take Or Possess Undersize Red Drum

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

TOTAL 0	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
0	

**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
180 sacks of oysters, 16 red drum, and 476 blue crabs.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR OYSTER STRIKE FORCE**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
6	Boating
20	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
0	Miscellaneous



18	Recreational Fishing
0	State Hunting/Trapping
0	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
0	Public Assistance



## SEAFOOD INVESTIGATIVE UNIT

## STATEWIDE

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
1	Sell Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License
1	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License
3	Buy/Sell Fish W/O A Wholesale/Retail Seafood Dealer's License
2	Buy/Sell Fish W/O A Retail Seafood Dealer's License
1	Fail To Maintain Records
1	Transport W/O Required License
1	Fail To Report Commercial Fisheries Data
2	Fail To Mark Containerized Oysters
1	Attempted Felony Theft
1	Violation Of Sanitary Code (Chapter 9)
1	Contributing To The Delinquency Of A Minor
2	Violate Interstate Commerce Regulations
1	Injuring Public Records
1	Filing False Public Documents



**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 0</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>0</b>	

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
19 doz. Oysters, 2-1/2 gallons oysters and 82 lbs. of live crabs.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Commercial Fishing</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Federal Migratory</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Littering</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Miscellaneous</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Recreational Fishing</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>State Hunting/Trapping</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Written Warnings</b>

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Public Assistance</b>



S.W.E.P.  
8 Agent positions

## COASTAL WATERS

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
4	Fail To Abide By Commission Rules and Regs.
1	Hunting Ducks Or Geese W/O Federal Duck Stamp
3	Violate Commission Rules And Regs. (Poss.Red Snapper Closed Season)
3	Take King Mackerel W/O Permit
1	Interface W/Office While Performing Duties
1	Resist Lawful Arrest
1	Destruction Of Evidence
1	Resisting An Officer
2	Take O/L Of Black Drum
2	Take/Poss. Undersized Black Drum
1	Angling W/OA License
1	Fail To Comply W/PFD Requirements
1	Operate Unregistered Motorboat
1	Fail To Display Valid Decal Certification

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 0</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
0	



**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
336 lbs. king mackerel, 14 black drum, and 8 red snapper.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR S.W.E.P.**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
3	Boating
10	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
4	Miscellaneous
5	Recreational Fishing
1	State Hunting/Trapping
0	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Public Assistance

NOTE: 35 HOURS RUNNING TIME  
123 BOATS CHECKED



**REFUGE PATROL**  
**8 Agent positions**

**MARSH ISLAND,**  
**ROCKEFELLER, STATE**  
**WILDLIFE**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Angling W/O A Basic Fishing License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Angling W/O A Non-Resident License</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Take Or Possess Undersize Black Drum</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Take Or Possess Overlimit Of Black Drum</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 8</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Not Boat Registration Certificate In Possession</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Improper Or No Fire Extinguisher</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Fail To Comply With Visual Distress Signal</b>



**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>	
100 black drum, 2 garfish, 1 rod and reel, 1 ice chest, 10 catfish, 25 jug lines.	

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR FUR AND REFUGE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
8	Boating
0	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
6	Miscellaneous
11	Recreational Fishing
0	State Hunting/Trapping
8	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
7	Public Assistance (Assisted Stranded Vessels To Safe Harbor)



**TOTAL CASES**

**-1345**

**NOTE: WRITTEN WARNINGS =202**



**ENFORCEMENT AVIATION REPORT**  
**NOVEMBER, 2001**

**185-Amph. - 61092**  
**Hrs. - 25.3**

**185-Float - 9667Q**  
**Hrs. - 31.0**

**210 - 9467Y**  
**Hrs. - 28.7**

**Enforcement Hours - 49.5**

**Other Divisions - 35.5**

**Total Plane Use - 85.0**

**Cases Made In Conjunction With Aircraft Use Resulted In Citations Issued For:**

**2-Baited Duck Ponds**

**1-Search and Rescue - Region 5**

**3-Total**







RESOLUTION  
MAUREPAS SWAMP WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

WHEREAS, by Act of Donation, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission have acquired title to a certain tract of land, comprising 38,314 acres, more or less, located in Ascension and St. James Parishes. The Act of Donation was accepted on August 21, 2001 and is filed in the Clerk of Court's Records, St. James Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 113427, Conveyance Book 367, and in Ascension Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 494735.

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance wildlife habitat in the state and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands that they be established as a wildlife management area and added to the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area established by resolution of this Commission on August 8, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the further recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission select all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the above described property description and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property description of the property previously established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area and establish all such lands as a wildlife management area and include all such state owned lands, including water bottoms, in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

WHEREAS, this area represents one of the largest bald cypress-tupelo gum swamps in the state, and the protection of these wetlands is critical to the State's conservation efforts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, the above described property as a wildlife management area and adds it to and includes it in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby select, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property described above and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the previously established Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area as a wildlife management area and adds them to and includes them in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is hereby made up of and includes all the property donated as described above; all the property donated and established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area by resolution of this Commission dated August 8, 2001; and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within those two donated property descriptions, and totals 63,000 acres, more or less, and is located in parts of Ascension, St. James, and St. John the Baptist Parishes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that privately-owned piers, docks, or other encumbrances extending from privately-owned land into state-owned waters which are a part of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area shall, for the purposes of wildlife and fisheries management, be considered part of the privately-owned land and not part of the Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this property shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to take whatever actions are necessary in furtherance of establishing the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

A description of the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is attached hereto and included in the minutes of the Commission.



---

Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission



---

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH**

**Township 10 South, Range 6 East:**

All of Sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 less and except the ownership of minerals, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23,  
24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, and 35  
E/2 of Section 17  
E 66.8 acres of Section 18  
E/2 of W/2 and E/2 of E/2 of Section 32

**Township 11 South, Range 6 East:**

All of Section 84  
E/2 of Section 89  
NE/4 of Section 91  
E/2 of Section 96 otherwise described as Lots 1, 2, and 6 of Section 96

**Township 10 South, Range 7 East:**

All of Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36  
S/2 of Section 22

**Township 11 South, Range 7 East:**

All of Sections 1, 2, and 4  
All of Section 3, except SE/4 of SW/4  
N/2 of NE/4 of Section 11

**Township 10 South, Range 8 East:**

S/2 of S/2 of Section 31

**Township 11 South, Range 8 East:**

All of Section 6, except N/2 of NE/4 and SE/4 of NE/4

**ASCENSION PARISH**

**Township 10 South, Range 6 East**

E/2 of Section 17.

**Township 10 South Range 4 East:**

NE/4 and E/2 of NW/4 of Section 34 North of Parish Line

**Township 10 South Range 5 East:**

SW/4 of NW/4, SW/4, and Lots 4, 5, 7 and 10 of Section 5, and Section 6 except Lot 1, LESS  
AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sale made to  
Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Willard J. Cointment, Jr., et ux	09/24/81	186661	4.52 acres in Secs. 5 & 6, T10S, R5E

SW/4 of SE/4, W/2, and Lots 2, 3, 6, 7 and 8 in Section 8  
Lots 4, 5 and 6 of Section 9  
Lots 11, 12, 13, and 14 of Section 15, LESS AND EXCEPT, the surface and mineral interests in  
the property described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:



<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
John E. Abreo	9/16/75	138485	0.172 acres +/-, in Sec. 15, T10S, R5E
Edward B. East	9/16/75	138486	0.172 acres +/-, in Sec. 15 T10S, R5E
James A. Collier	12/29/76	147296	0.46 acres +/-, in Sec. 15, T10S, R5E
Vernon Guitrau	11/13/74	132683	0.50 acres +/- in Sec. 15, T10S, R5E

Lots 2 and 3, the W/2 of NE/4, SE/4 and W/2 of Section 16  
 Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11 and 12 and SW/4 of Section 21,  
 LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sales  
 made to Vendees by the following deeds:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Elmo J. Bourgeois, et al	03/29/75	135825	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Eric G. St. Pierre	12/29/76	147297	0.46 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Bryan G. Zeringue, et al	10/17/80	178786	1.0 acre +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Charles Duhe	10/17/80	178787	1.0 acre +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Garen P. DeRoche	08/25/88	265794	0.23 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Leon J. Abreo, et ux	10/21/89	282010	0.46 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E

Lot 2 of Section 22, LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property  
 described in the sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Nolan J. Matherne, et al	10/17/80	178788	1.0 acre +/-, in Sec. 22, T10S, R5E

Section 7  
 Section 17  
 Section 18  
 Section 19  
 Section 20

All of Section 37 within parish, LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the  
 property described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Roy M. Bourgeois, Sr., et al	09/18/74	131556	0.183 acres +/- in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E



James LeBlanc	09/18/74	131553	0.160 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Joseph L. Rizzuto	09/19/74	131554	0.229 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Aubrey A. St. Pierre	09/19/74	131552	0.145 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gerald J. Bourgeois, et al	09/19/74	131555	0.172 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Henry P. Mire	09/23/74	131557	0.275 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gibson J. Simoneaux	10/28/74	132684	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Ernest J. Laurent, et al	11/13/74	132685	0.229 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Vernon Guitrau	11/13/74	132683	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Craig B. Calcagno	03/13/75	134270	0.229 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Steve S. Tramonte	03/14/75	134192	0.206 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Eddie J. Bleakley	03/17/75	134193	0.115 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Harris G. Louque, Sr., et al	03/21/75	134269	0.206 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Henry D. Beech	01/24/77	148030	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Allen M. Duhe	09/20/79	170377	0.516 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gilbert H. Maurin	09/13/79	170378	0.516 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Alvey Dee Jenkins, et al	10/17/84	217311	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Kerry J. Combre	10/17/84	217312	0.464 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Robert J. Synder	08/15/80	192580	0.225 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Michael C. Becnel, et ux	02/23/89	265795	0.28 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard G. Daigle, et ux	02/23/89	265796	0.206 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E

**ASCENSION AND ST. JAMES PARISHES**



**Townships 11 & 12 South, Range 5 East**

A non-exclusive predial servitude of passage in favor of the West Lutch Moore Tract to the extent it is situated in St. James and Ascension Parishes, on, over and across the following described property to-wit:

The East fifty (50) feet of Sections 84 and 32 Township 11 South Range 5 East and Section 35 Township 12 South Range 5 East extending from the section line between Sections 80 and 84 in Township 11 South Range 5 East to the left descending bank of the Mississippi River in Section 35 Township 12 South Range 5 East

**ST. JAMES PARISH**

**Township 10 South, Range 4 East**

All of Section 35 and 36  
NE/4 and E/2 of NW/4 of Section 34 (South of Parish Line)

**Township 11 South, Range 4 East**

All of Sections 41, 42, 43, 44, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55 and 75,  
LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Grand Point Hunting Club	09/28/76	44025	0.2 acres +/-, in Sec. 53, T11S, R4E
Lots 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of Section 73			
E/2 and NW/4 of Section 74 N/2, N/2 of SW/4 and SE/4 of SW/4 of Section 76 All of Sections 28, 29 and 30, from 65 to 80 Arpent Line from the left descending bank of the Mississippi River			

**Township 10 South, Range 5 East**

All of Sections 31 and 32 and all of Section 30 South of Parish Line

**Township 11 South, Range 5 East**

All of Sections 71, 72, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79 and 80  
All of Section 73 LESS AND EXCEPT: that one certain 31.6411 acre tract of land located on the West bank of Blind River and North of U.S. Highway 61, conveyed by Lutch & Moore Cypress Lumber Company to St. James Boat Club, Inc. by deed dated February 19, 1974, and recorded under Entry No. 38043 in Conveyance Book 169 of the records of St. James Parish.

LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in that certain sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Alvin J. Robert	04/11/90	80291	2.02 acres +/-, in Section 73, T11S, R5E

**KAISER TRACT**

That certain piece, parcel or tract of land, together with all buildings and improvements thereon



and all rights, ways and privileges thereunto appertaining, being, lying and situated in St. James Parish, Louisiana, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Being 400 acres located in Sections 43 and 190, Township 11 South, Range 5 East, St. James Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows: Begin at a point where the 80 arpent line intersects the section line which is common to Sections 43 and 190 and said point is designated as point (c) on a survey for Kaiser Engineers, Mount Airy Sport Golden Grove, St. John - St. James Parishes, Louisiana, T11S, R5 & 6E, S.E. Dist. of Louisiana-East of River, prepared by the office of F. C. Gandolfo, Jr. Engineering and Surveying, dated April 7, 1958; thence run North 79 degrees 24' 39.0" East a distance of 2212.55 feet to a point and corner, which said point is on the common line dividing St. James Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish; thence run South 11 degrees 43' 33.0" East a distance of 3367.25 feet along the said common line dividing St. James Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish to a point and corner; thence run South 72 degrees 56' 2.3" West a distance of 5,013.55 feet to a point and corner; thence run North 13 degrees 23' 59.0" West a distance of 2333.14 feet to a point which is on the easterly right-of-way line of Highway 641; thence run along the easterly right of way of Highway 641 North 2 degrees 56' 54.7" East along a curve having a distance along a chord of 1045.44 feet and an arc of 1045.81 feet to a point; thence run North 5 degrees 34' 49.0" East a distance of 45.47 feet to a point; thence run North 67 degrees 16' 04" East a distance of 2615.93 feet back to the point of beginning.

**Townships 10 & 11 South, Ranges 5 & 6 East**

All of Sections 36, 37, 43 and 49 (all of Lobdell Tract and Allen Thomas Tract South of Parish Line),

- (a) LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Thomas J. Kliebert	09/09/74	39569	1.0 acre, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
N. J. Madere, et al	09/09/74	39699	0.1830 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Rene J. Zeringue	09/09/74	39701	1.0 acre, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Valfred J. Amato	09/09/74	39700	0.2763 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Robert Alito, et al	09/18/74	39876	0.1830 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Live Cambre	09/18/74	39697	0.2750 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Valfred J. Amato	09/19/74	39875	0.3210 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Allen P. Rouillier, Sr.	09/19/74	39698	0.2410 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Harold G. Wahl	10/24/74	40023	0.4290 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Charles C. Melancon	11/07/74	40022	0.3440 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E



Curtis J. DeRoche	01/07/75	40326	0.4650 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
John C. Lanoux	01/15/75	40325	0.5850 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Dennis J. Landry, et al	04/14/75	40803	0.2060 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Wallace A. Poche	06/30/75	41233	0.0820 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Eric P. Louque	01/22/76	42646	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Nolan J. Marse, Sr.	07/15/75	42647	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Earl J. Bouvier, Sr. et al	04/30/76	42899	0.1720 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Hamilton J. Deroche, et al	01/21/77	44742	0.1720 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Russell J. Bourgeois, et al	04/26/77	46897	0.1720 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gary M. Louque, et al	04/26/77	46898	0.1320 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Henry D. Beech	01/23/78	47932	1.0 acre, being Lot 6, in Tennessee Williams Campsite Subdivision Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
The John W. Mecom Trust Trust No. 6	01/17/78	47933	66.6600 acres, being lots 1 & 2 Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Martha DeRoche	05/18/84	65948	.07 acres in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Robert J. Snyder	07/10/80	55448	.225 acres +/- in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Matilda Gray Stream	01/23/78	47934	24.6200 acres, being Lots 3 & 4, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
John C. Camp	01/23/78	47935	2.00 acres, being Lots 5 & 7, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Harold H. Stream, III	01/23/78	47936	8.800 acres, being Lots 9, 12, 13, 16, 17, 20, 21 & 24, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Mary Evelyn Oglesby	01/23/78	47937	1.00 acres, being Lot 8, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Edward M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47938	2.200 acres, being Lots 10 & 11, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E



Virginia M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47939	2.200 acres, being Lots 14 & 15, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Maura M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47940	1.100 acres, being Lot 22, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Pierre A. Carmouche	12/22/77	47941	1.100 acres, being Lot 18, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Virginia C. Derouen	12/22/77	47942	1.100 acres, being Lot 19, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Edward M. Carmouche, Jr.	12/22/77	47943	1.100 acres, being Lot 23, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Hamilton J. DeRoche	01/26/79	50989	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard J. Duhe	10/17/84	67473	1.0 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Hamilton J. DeRoche	03/23/81	57203	.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Martha DeRoche	05/16/84	65948	0.07 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard J. Duhe		67473	1.0 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E



RESOLUTION  
MAUREPAS SWAMP WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

WHEREAS, by Act of Donation, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission have acquired title to a certain tract of land, comprising 38,314 acres, more or less, located in Ascension and St. James Parishes. The Act of Donation was accepted on August 21, 2001 and is filed in the Clerk of Court's Records, St. James Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 113427, Conveyance Book 367, and in Ascension Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 494735.

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance wildlife habitat in the state and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands that they be established as a wildlife management area and added to the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area established by resolution of this Commission on August 8, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the further recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission select all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the above described property description and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property description of the property previously established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area and establish all such lands as a wildlife management area and include all such state owned lands, including water bottoms, in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

WHEREAS, this area represents one of the largest bald cypress-tupelo gum swamps in the state, and the protection of these wetlands is critical to the State's conservation efforts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, the above described property as a wildlife management area and adds it to and includes it in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby select, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property described above and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the previously established Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area as a wildlife management area and adds them to and includes them in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is hereby made up of and includes all the property donated as described above; all the property donated and established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area by resolution of this Commission dated August 8, 2001; and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within those two donated property descriptions, and totals 63,000 acres, more or less, and is located in parts of Ascension, St. James, and St. John the Baptist Parishes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that privately-owned piers, docks, or other encumbrances extending from privately-owned land into state-owned waters which are a part of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area shall, for the purposes of wildlife and fisheries management, be considered part of the privately-owned land and not part of the Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this property shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to take whatever actions are necessary in furtherance of establishing the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

A description of the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is attached hereto and included in the minutes of the Commission.

---

Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

---

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH**

**Township 10 South, Range 6 East:**

All of Sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 less and except the ownership of minerals, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, and 35  
E/2 of Section 17  
E 66.8 acres of Section 18  
E/2 of W/2 and E/2 of E/2 of Section 32

**Township 11 South, Range 6 East:**

All of Section 84  
E/2 of Section 89  
NE/4 of Section 91  
E/2 of Section 96 otherwise described as Lots 1, 2, and 6 of Section 96

**Township 10 South, Range 7 East:**

All of Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36  
S/2 of Section 22

**Township 11 South, Range 7 East:**

All of Sections 1, 2, and 4  
All of Section 3, except SE/4 of SW/4  
N/2 of NE/4 of Section 11

**Township 10 South, Range 8 East:**

S/2 of S/2 of Section 31

**Township 11 South, Range 8 East:**

All of Section 6, except N/2 of NE/4 and SE/4 of NE/4

**ASCENSION PARISH**

**Township 10 South, Range 6 East**

E/2 of Section 17.

**Township 10 South Range 4 East:**

NE/4 and E/2 of NW/4 of Section 34 North of Parish Line

**Township 10 South Range 5 East:**

SW/4 of NW/4, SW/4, and Lots 4, 5, 7 and 10 of Section 5, and Section 6 except Lot 1, LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Willard J. Cointment, Jr., et ux	09/24/81	186661	4.52 acres in Secs. 5 & 6, T10S, R5E

SW/4 of SE/4, W/2, and Lots 2, 3, 6, 7 and 8 in Section 8  
Lots 4, 5 and 6 of Section 9  
Lots 11, 12, 13, and 14 of Section 15, LESS AND EXCEPT, the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:



<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
John E. Abreo	9/16/75	138485	0.172 acres +/-, in Sec. 15, T10S, R5E
Edward B. East	9/16/75	138486	0.172 acres +/-, in Sec. 15 T10S, R5E
James A. Collier	12/29/76	147296	0.46 acres +/-, in Sec. 15, T10S, R5E
Vernon Guitrau	11/13/74	132683	0.50 acres +/- in Sec. 15, T10S, R5E

Lots 2 and 3, the W/2 of NE/4, SE/4 and W/2 of Section 16  
 Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11 and 12 and SW/4 of Section 21,  
 LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sales  
 made to Vendees by the following deeds:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Elmo J. Bourgeois, et al	03/29/75	135825	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Eric G. St. Pierre	12/29/76	147297	0.46 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Bryan G. Zeringue, et al	10/17/80	178786	1.0 acre +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Charles Duhe	10/17/80	178787	1.0 acre +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Garen P. DeRoche	08/25/88	265794	0.23 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E
Leon J. Abreo, et ux	10/21/89	282010	0.46 acres +/-, in Sec. 21, T10S, R5E

Lot 2 of Section 22, LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property  
 described in the sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Nolan J. Matherne, et al	10/17/80	178788	1.0 acre +/-, in Sec. 22, T10S, R5E

Section 7  
 Section 17  
 Section 18  
 Section 19  
 Section 20

All of Section 37 within parish, LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the  
 property described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Roy M. Bourgeois, Sr., et al	09/18/74	131556	0.183 acres +/- in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E



James LeBlanc	09/18/74	131553	0.160 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Joseph L. Rizzuto	09/19/74	131554	0.229 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Aubrey A. St. Pierre	09/19/74	131552	0.145 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gerald J. Bourgeois, et al	09/19/74	131555	0.172 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Henry P. Mire	09/23/74	131557	0.275 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gibson J. Simoneaux	10/28/74	132684	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Ernest J. Laurent, et al	11/13/74	132685	0.229 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Vernon Guitrau	11/13/74	132683	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Craig B. Calcagno	03/13/75	134270	0.229 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Steve S. Tramonte	03/14/75	134192	0.206 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Eddie J. Bleakley	03/17/75	134193	0.115 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Harris G. Louque, Sr., et al	03/21/75	134269	0.206 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Henry D. Beech	01/24/77	148030	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Allen M. Duhe	09/20/79	170377	0.516 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gilbert H. Maurin	09/13/79	170378	0.516 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Alvey Dee Jenkins, et al	10/17/84	217311	0.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Kerry J. Combre	10/17/84	217312	0.464 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Robert J. Synder	08/15/80	192580	0.225 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Michael C. Becnel, et ux	02/23/89	265795	0.28 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard G. Daigle, et ux	02/23/89	265796	0.206 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E

**ASCENSION AND ST. JAMES PARISHES**



**Townships 11 & 12 South, Range 5 East**

A non-exclusive predial servitude of passage in favor of the West Lutchter Moore Tract to the extent it is situated in St. James and Ascension Parishes, on, over and across the following described property to-wit:

The East fifty (50) feet of Sections 84 and 32 Township 11 South Range 5 East and Section 35 Township 12 South Range 5 East extending from the section line between Sections 80 and 84 in Township 11 South Range 5 East to the left descending bank of the Mississippi River in Section 35 Township 12 South Range 5 East

**ST. JAMES PARISH**

**Township 10 South, Range 4 East**

All of Section 35 and 36  
NE/4 and E/2 of NW/4 of Section 34 (South of Parish Line)

**Township 11 South, Range 4 East**

All of Sections 41, 42, 43, 44, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55 and 75,  
LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Grand Point Hunting Club	09/28/76	44025	0.2 acres +/-, in Sec. 53, T11S, R4E

Lots 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of Section 73

E/2 and NW/4 of Section 74

N/2, N/2 of SW/4 and SE/4 of SW/4 of Section 76

All of Sections 28, 29 and 30, from 65 to 80 Arpent Line from the left descending bank of the Mississippi River

**Township 10 South, Range 5 East**

All of Sections 31 and 32 and all of Section 30 South of Parish Line

**Township 11 South, Range 5 East**

All of Sections 71, 72, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79 and 80

All of Section 73 LESS AND EXCEPT: that one certain 31.6411 acre tract of land located on the West bank of Blind River and North of U.S. Highway 61, conveyed by Lutchter & Moore Cypress Lumber Company to St. James Boat Club, Inc. by deed dated February 19, 1974, and recorded under Entry No. 38043 in Conveyance Book 169 of the records of St. James Parish.

LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in that certain sale made to Vendee by the following deed:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Alvin J. Robert	04/11/90	80291	2.02 acres +/-, in Section 73, T11S, R5E

**KAISER TRACT**

That certain piece, parcel or tract of land, together with all buildings and improvements thereon



and all rights, ways and privileges thereunto appertaining, being, lying and situated in St. James Parish, Louisiana, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Being 400 acres located in Sections 43 and 190, Township 11 South, Range 5 East, St. James Parish, Louisiana, and being more particularly described as follows: Begin at a point where the 80 arpent line intersects the section line which is common to Sections 43 and 190 and said point is designated as point (c) on a survey for Kaiser Engineers, Mount Airy Sport Golden Grove, St. John - St. James Parishes, Louisiana, T11S, R5 & 6E, S.E. Dist. of Louisiana-East of River, prepared by the office of F. C. Gandolfo, Jr. Engineering and Surveying, dated April 7, 1958; thence run North 79 degrees 24' 39.0" East a distance of 2212.55 feet to a point and corner, which said point is on the common line dividing St. James Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish; thence run South 11 degrees 43' 33.0" East a distance of 3367.25 feet along the said common line dividing St. James Parish and St. John the Baptist Parish to a point and corner; thence run South 72 degrees 56' 2.3" West a distance of 5,013.55 feet to a point and corner; thence run North 13 degrees 23' 59.0" West a distance of 2333.14 feet to a point which is on the easterly right-of-way line of Highway 641; thence run along the easterly right of way of Highway 641 North 2 degrees 56' 54.7" East along a curve having a distance along a chord of 1045.44 feet and an arc of 1045.81 feet to a point; thence run North 5 degrees 34' 49.0" East a distance of 45.47 feet to a point; thence run North 67 degrees 16' 04" East a distance of 2615.93 feet back to the point of beginning.

**Townships 10 & 11 South, Ranges 5 & 6 East**

All of Sections 36, 37, 43 and 49 (all of Lobdell Tract and Allen Thomas Tract South of Parish Line),

- (a) LESS AND EXCEPT the surface and mineral interests in the property described in the sales made to Vendees by the following deeds:

<u>Vendee</u>	<u>Deed Date</u>	<u>File No.</u>	<u>Property Conveyed</u>
Thomas J. Kliebert	09/09/74	39569	1.0 acre, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
N. J. Madere, et al	09/09/74	39699	0.1830 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Rene J. Zeringue	09/09/74	39701	1.0 acre, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Valfred J. Amato	09/09/74	39700	0.2763 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Robert Alito, et al	09/18/74	39876	0.1830 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Live Cambre	09/18/74	39697	0.2750 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Valfred J. Amato	09/19/74	39875	0.3210 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Allen P. Rouillier, Sr.	09/19/74	39698	0.2410 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Harold G. Wahl	10/24/74	40023	0.4290 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Charles C. Melancon	11/07/74	40022	0.3440 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E



Curtis J. DeRoche	01/07/75	40326	0.4650 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
John C. Lanoux	01/15/75	40325	0.5850 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Dennis J. Landry, et al	04/14/75	40803	0.2060 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Wallace A. Poche	06/30/75	41233	0.0820 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Eric P. Louque	01/22/76	42646	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Nolan J. Marse, Sr.	07/15/75	42647	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Earl J. Bouvier, Sr. et al	04/30/76	42899	0.1720 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Hamilton J. Deroche, et al	01/21/77	44742	0.1720 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Russell J. Bourgeois, et al	04/26/77	46897	0.1720 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Gary M. Louque, et al	04/26/77	46898	0.1320 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Henry D. Beech	01/23/78	47932	1.0 acre, being Lot 6, in Tennessee Williams Campsite Subdivision Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
The John W. Mecom Trust Trust No. 6	01/17/78	47933	66.6600 acres, being lots 1 & 2 Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Martha DeRoche	05/18/84	65948	.07 acres in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Robert J. Snyder	07/10/80	55448	.225 acres +/- in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Matilda Gray Stream	01/23/78	47934	24.6200 acres, being Lots 3 & 4, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
John C. Camp	01/23/78	47935	2.00 acres, being Lots 5 & 7, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Harold H. Stream, III	01/23/78	47936	8.800 acres, being Lots 9, 12, 13, 16, 17, 20, 21 & 24, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Mary Evelyn Oglesby	01/23/78	47937	1.00 acres, being Lot 8, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Edward M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47938	2.200 acres, being Lots 10 & 11, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E



Virginia M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47939	2.200 acres, being Lots 14 & 15, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Maura M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47940	1.100 acres, being Lot 22, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Pierre A. Carmouche	12/22/77	47941	1.100 acres, being Lot 18, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Virginia C. Derouen	12/22/77	47942	1.100 acres, being Lot 19, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Edward M. Carmouche, Jr.	12/22/77	47943	1.100 acres, being Lot 23, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Hamilton J. DeRoche	01/26/79	50989	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard J. Duhe	10/17/84	67473	1.0 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Hamilton J. DeRoche	03/23/81	57203	.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Martha DeRoche	05/16/84	65948	0.07 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard J. Duhe		67473	1.0 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E



*recommended*  
*TD* *[Signature]*

RESOLUTION  
MAUREPAS SWAMP WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

WHEREAS, by Act of Donation, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission have acquired title to a certain tract of land, comprising 38,314 acres, more or less, located in Ascension and St. James Parishes. The Act of Donation was accepted on August 21, 2001 and is filed in the Clerk of Court's Records, St. James Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 113427, Conveyance Book 367, and in Ascension Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 494735.

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance wildlife habitat in the state and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands that they be established as a wildlife management area and added to the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area established by resolution of this Commission on August 8, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the further recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission select all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the above described property description and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property description of the property previously established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area and establish all such lands as a wildlife management area and include all such state owned lands, including water bottoms, in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

WHEREAS, this area represents one of the largest bald cypress-tupelo gum swamps in the state, and the protection of these wetlands is critical to the State's conservation efforts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, the above described property as a wildlife management area and adds it to and includes it in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby select, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property described above and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the previously established Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area as a wildlife management area and adds them to and includes them in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is hereby made up of and includes all the property donated as described above; all the property donated and established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area by resolution of this Commission dated August 8, 2001; and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within those two donated property descriptions, and totals 63,000 acres, more or less, and is located in parts of Ascension, St. James, and St. John the Baptist Parishes.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that privately-owned piers, docks, or other encumbrances extending from privately-owned land into state-owned waters which are a part of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area shall, for the purposes of wildlife and fisheries management, be considered part of the privately-owned land and not part of the Wildlife Management Area.***

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this property shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to take whatever actions are necessary in furtherance of establishing the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

A description of the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is attached hereto and included in the minutes of the Commission.

---

Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

---

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries



*Replaced*

RESOLUTION  
MAUREPAS SWAMP WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

WHEREAS, by Act of Donation, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission have acquired title to a certain tract of land, comprising 38,314 acres, more or less, located in Ascension and St. James Parishes. The Act of Donation was accepted on August 21, 2001 and is filed in the Clerk of Court's Records, St. James Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 113427, Conveyance Book 367, and in Ascension Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 494735.

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance wildlife habitat in the state and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands that they be established as a wildlife management area and added to the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area established by resolution of this Commission on August 8, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the further recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission select all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the above described property description and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property description of the property previously established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area and establish all such lands as a wildlife management area and include all such state owned lands, including water bottoms, in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

WHEREAS, this area represents one of the largest bald cypress-tupelo gum swamps in the state, and the protection of these wetlands is critical to the State's conservation efforts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, the above described property as a wildlife management area and adds it to and includes it in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby select, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the property described above and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within the previously established Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area as a wildlife management area and adds them to and includes them in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is hereby made up of and includes all the property donated as described above; all the property donated and established as the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area by resolution of this Commission dated August 8, 2001; and all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within those two donated property descriptions, and totals 63,000 acres, more or less, and is located in parts of Ascension, St. James, and St. John the Baptist Parishes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this property shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to take whatever actions are necessary in furtherance of establishing the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

A description of the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is attached hereto and included in the minutes of the Commission.

---

Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

---

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries



RESOLUTION  
MAUREPAS SWAMP WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

WHEREAS, by Act of Donation, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission have acquired title to a certain tract of land, comprising 38,314 acres, more or less, located in Ascension and St. James Parishes. The Act of Donation was accepted on August 21, 2001 and is filed in the Clerk of Court's Records, St. James Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 113427, Conveyance Book 367, and in Ascension Parish, State of Louisiana, on August 24, 2001, Act # 494735.

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance wildlife habitat in the state and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands and the water bottoms contained therein, including thoroughfares and rights-of-ways, that they be established as a wildlife management area and added to the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area established by resolution of this Commission on August 8, 2001.

WHEREAS, this area represents one of the largest bald cypress-tupelo gum swamps in the state, and the protection of these wetlands is critical to the State's conservation efforts.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 and 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, the above described property as a wildlife management area and adds it to and includes it in the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area totals 63,000 acres, more or less, and is located in parts of Ascension, St. James, and St. John the Baptist Parishes.

***BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that privately-owned piers, docks, or other encumbrances extending from privately-owned land into state-owned waters which are a part of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area shall, for the purposes of wildlife and fisheries management, be considered part of the privately-owned land and not part of the Wildlife Management Area.***

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this property shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to



take whatever actions are necessary in furtherance of establishing the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area.

A description of the entirety of the Maurepas Swamp Wildlife Management Area is attached hereto and included in the minutes of the Commission.

---

Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

---

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries



Virginia M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47939	2.200 acres, being Lots 14 & 15, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Maura M. Carmouche	12/22/77	47940	1.100 acres, being Lot 22, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Pierre A. Carmouche	12/22/77	47941	1.100 acres, being Lot 18, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Virginia C. Derouen	12/22/77	47942	1.100 acres, being Lot 19, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Edward M. Carmouche, Jr.	12/22/77	47943	1.100 acres, being Lot 23, Sec. 43, T11S, R5E
Hamilton J. DeRoche	01/26/79	50989	0.1370 acres, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard J. Duhe	10/17/84	67473	1.0 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Hamilton J. DeRoche	03/23/81	57203	.344 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Martha DeRoche	05/16/84	65948	0.07 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E
Richard J. Duhe		67473	1.0 acres +/-, in Sec. 37, T10S, R5E

---

#### **ASCENSION PARISH**

1. Township 10 South, Range 4 East:  
NE/4 and E/2 of NW/4 of Section 34 North of Parish Line
2. Township 10 South, Range 5 East:  
SW/4 of Section 21

#### **ST. JAMES PARISH**

3. Township 10 South, Range 4 East:  
All of Section 35 and 36  
NE/4 and E/2 of NW/4 of Section 34 (South of Parish Line)
4. Township 11 South, Range 4 East:  
E/2 of SW/4 of Section 75
5. Township 11 South, Range 5 East:  
An undivided one-half interest in the SW/4 of Section 79
6. With respect to that portion of the West Lutch Moore Tract located in St. James Parish, the minerals underlying the following property:
  - (a) lands obtained by the State of Louisiana in conveyance made to State of



RESOLUTION  
ATCHAFALAYA DELTA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is a major wintering and staging area for waterfowl and other neotropical migrants, and annually attracts hundreds of thousands of ducks and geese, and

WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is also an important fisheries estuary and nursery waters for a wide variety of fish and other aquatic organisms, and

WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is owned by the state, in trust for the benefit of the citizens of the State, and is a prime waterfowl hunting and fishing area for many of Louisiana's hunters and fishermen, and

WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is comprised of approximately 125,000 acres, the vast majority of which, about 90%, is shallow water bottom, with the rest, or approximately 12,000 acres, being land formed by accretion, and

WHEREAS, since 1977, the entirety of Atchafalaya Bay, both the shallow water bottom and the accreted land, has been actively managed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission as the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area, and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that these properties remain perpetually dedicated for the purpose of maintaining such properties as a wildlife management area, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance hunting and fishing opportunity to the people of the State and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands, including water bottoms, that they remain selected and established as a wildlife management area named the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 and 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, does hereby confirm that all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within Atchafalaya Bay, as more particularly described on Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof, have been selected and are and have been established as a wildlife management area named the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.


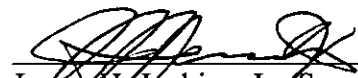
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this wildlife management area shall be used and maintained for the benefit of the citizens of the state and shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the leasing of any such lands, including water bottoms, for the exploration or production of minerals; provided that such activities shall recognize the prevailing use of the lands, including water bottoms, as a wildlife management area and shall provide reasonable restrictions on such mineral activity to assure compatibility therewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the United States Government, as represented by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, from performing any dredging work, or from beneficially depositing any materials in the Atchafalaya Bay area in the interest of flood control or navigation, provided however, that such activities shall recognize the prevailing use of the lands, including water bottoms, as a wildlife management area and be compatible therewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes and empowers the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to take all actions necessary in furtherance of confirming the establishment the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission  
\_\_\_\_\_  
James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries



## EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION ON ATCHAFALAYA DELTA WMA

December 6, 2001

The Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area is described as follows:

A certain portion of Atchafalaya Bay, belonging to the State of Louisiana and designated an "arm of the sea" by L.S.A. R.S. 38:2356 M(2) including all present or former beds and areas of navigable waters or the shores within the area hereafter described, and also, but not by limitation, all islands except those islands, if any, which may be owned or leased by the United States Government or its agencies, and all present and future depositions of shell, sand, or silt and present or future emerging lands created thereby; which portion of Atchafalaya Bay is bounded by a line described more fully, to wit:

From a point, with Louisiana Plane Coordinate System, South Zone coordinates of X=1,930,619 ft., Y=309,763 ft., which marks the mean low water line of the extreme tip of Point Chevreuil in St. Mary Parish, T-17-S, R-9-E, as depicted on Map No. 3 of 5, entitled "Point Chevreuil" of the Set of 54 Maps of the Louisiana Coast, submitted into evidence as Exhibit No. 119 in Number 9 Original, United States of America v. State of Louisiana, et al., [which set of maps is hereinafter referred to as the "Set of 54 Maps"]; thence to the mean high water mark of the extreme tip of Point Chevreuil, which is the point of beginning; thence from the point of beginning, proceed northeasterly along the mean high water line to the westernmost entrance point of the Wax Lake Outlet; thence in a straight line across the mouth of Wax Lake Outlet to Belle Isle Point; thence following the mean high water line, easterly, closing off all bayous, to the easternmost point of Shell Island; thence by a straight closing line across the Atchafalaya River to the northernmost headland of Deer Island Bayou; thence closing the mouth of Deer Island Bayou to the tip of the southern headlands; thence following the mean high water line to the northernmost headland of Four League



Bay, thence southerly by straight closing line across Four League Bay to the northernmost point of South Point; thence following the mean high water line along the coast to Point au Fer to that point with the assigned coordinates of  $X=1,993,420$  ft.,  $Y=241,930$  ft., depicted on Map No. 1 of 5, "Point au Fer", of the "Set of 54 Maps"; thence along a line connecting said point on Point au Fer with a point on Mound Point on Marsh Island with the coordinates of  $X=1,845,475$  ft.,  $Y=293,595$  ft., depicted on Map No. 4 of 5, "Marsh Island S.E.", of the "Set of 54 Maps", to that point where said line between Point au Fer and Mound Point intersects a north-south line with a constant coordinate value of  $X=1,930,619$  ft., on the Louisiana Plane Coordinate System, South Zone; thence north to the point of the mean low water line of Point Chevreuil with coordinates  $X=1,930,619$  ft.,  $Y=309,763$  ft., described herein above; thence to the point of beginning; which points, and mean high water line constituting the boundaries of the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area are depicted on the "Set of 54 Maps" identified herein, which maps are made a part hereof by specific reference.



RESOLUTION  
ATCHAFALAYA DELTA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is a major wintering and staging area for waterfowl and other neotropical migrants, and annually attracts hundreds of thousands of ducks and geese, and

WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is also an important fisheries estuary and nursery waters for a wide variety of fish and other aquatic organisms, and

WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is owned by the state, in trust for the benefit of the citizens of the State, and is a prime waterfowl hunting and fishing area for many of Louisiana's hunters and fishermen, and

WHEREAS, Atchafalaya Bay is comprised of approximately 125,000 acres, the vast majority of which, about 90%, is shallow water bottom, with the rest, or approximately 12,000 acres, being land formed by accretion, and

WHEREAS, since 1977, the entirety of Atchafalaya Bay, both the shallow water bottom and the accreted land, has been actively managed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission as the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area, and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure that these properties remain perpetually dedicated for the purpose of maintaining such properties as a wildlife management area, it is the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries that in order to enhance hunting and fishing opportunity to the people of the State and provide for public use and recreational opportunities on these lands, including water bottoms, that they remain selected and established as a wildlife management area named the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, in accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, particularly Title 56, Sections 109 and 781 of the Revised Statutes of 1954, does hereby confirm that all state owned lands, including water bottoms, located within Atchafalaya Bay, as more particularly described on Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof, have been selected and are and have been established as a wildlife management area named the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this wildlife management area shall be used and maintained for the benefit of the citizens of the state and shall be used exclusively for wildlife management purposes, and as such, is perpetually dedicated to the protection, conservation and management of fish and wildlife and their habitat, and such public recreation, including, but not limited to, hunting, fishing and trapping, which is consistent with these purposes.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the leasing of any such lands, including water bottoms, for the exploration or production of minerals; provided that such activities shall recognize the prevailing use of the lands, including water bottoms, as a wildlife management area and shall provide reasonable restrictions on such mineral activity to assure compatibility therewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be construed as preventing the United States Government, as represented by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, from performing any dredging work, or from beneficially depositing any materials in the Atchafalaya Bay area in the interest of flood control or navigation, provided however, that such activities shall recognize the prevailing use of the lands, including water bottoms, as a wildlife management area and be compatible therewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission authorizes and empowers the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, on behalf of the Commission, to take all actions necessary in furtherance of confirming the establishment the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area.

---

Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

---

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries



## EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION ON ATCHAFALAYA DELTA WMA

December 6, 2001

The Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area is described as follows:

A certain portion of Atchafalaya Bay, belonging to the State of Louisiana and designated an "arm of the sea" by L.S.A. R.S. 38:2356 M(2) including all present or former beds and areas of navigable waters or the shores within the area hereafter described, and also, but not by limitation, all islands except those islands, if any, which may be owned or leased by the United States Government or its agencies, and all present and future depositions of shell, sand, or silt and present or future emerging lands created thereby; which portion of Atchafalaya Bay is bounded by a line described more fully, to wit:

From a point, with Louisiana Plane Coordinate System, South Zone coordinates of X=1,930,619 ft., Y=309,763 ft., which marks the mean low water line of the extreme tip of Point Chevreuil in St. Mary Parish, T-17-S, R-9-E, as depicted on Map No. 3 of 5, entitled "Point Chevreuil" of the Set of 54 Maps of the Louisiana Coast, submitted into evidence as Exhibit No. 119 in Number 9 Original, United States of America v. State of Louisiana, et al., [which set of maps is hereinafter referred to as the "Set of 54 Maps"]; thence to the mean high water mark of the extreme tip of Point Chevreuil, which is the point of beginning; thence from the point of beginning, proceed northeasterly along the mean high water line to the westernmost entrance point of the Wax Lake Outlet; thence in a straight line across the mouth of Wax Lake Outlet to Belle Isle Point; thence following the mean high water line, easterly, closing off all bayous, to the easternmost point of Shell Island; thence by a straight closing line across the Atchafalaya River to the northernmost headland of Deer Island Bayou; thence closing the mouth of Deer Island Bayou to the tip of the southern headlands; thence following the mean high water line to the northernmost headland of Four League



Bay, thence southerly by straight closing line across Four League Bay to the northernmost point of South Point; thence following the mean high water line along the coast to Point au Fer to that point with the assigned coordinates of  $X=1,993,420$  ft.,  $Y=241,930$  ft., depicted on Map No. 1 of 5, "Point au Fer", of the "Set of 54 Maps"; thence along a line connecting said point on Point au Fer with a point on Mound Point on Marsh Island with the coordinates of  $X=1,845,475$  ft.,  $Y=293,595$  ft., depicted on Map No. 4 of 5, "Marsh Island S.E.", of the "Set of 54 Maps", to that point where said line between Point au Fer and Mound Point intersects a north-south line with a constant coordinate value of  $X=1,930,619$  ft., on the Louisiana Plane Coordinate System, South Zone; thence north to the point of the mean low water line of Point Chevreuil with coordinates  $X=1,930,619$  ft.,  $Y=309,763$  ft., described herein above; thence to the point of beginning; which points, and mean high water line constituting the boundaries of the Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area are depicted on the "Set of 54 Maps" identified herein, which maps are made a part hereof by specific reference.



RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

December 6, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, December 6, 2001.

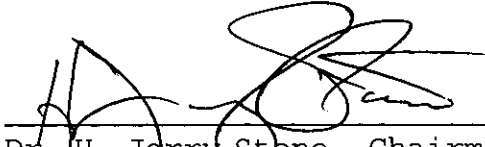
WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting a season in 2002 for turkeys, and


WHEREAS, authority to establish seasons, bag limits, possession limits and other rules and regulations for the hunting, taking and possession of any species of wild game birds is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of wild turkeys and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all available biological information, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rules, regulations, season dates, and bag limits affecting sport hunting of wild turkeys are hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries



## **RULE**

### **Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission**

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby amend the turkey rules and regulations for the 2002 season.

## **Title 76**

### **WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES**

#### **Part XIX. Hunting and WMA Regulations**

##### **Chapter 1. Resident Game Hunting Season**

##### **§113. Turkey Hunting Regulations**

A. Daily limit is one gobbler, two gobblers per season. Still hunting only. Use of dogs, baiting, electronic calling devices and live decoys is illegal. Turkeys may be hunted with shotguns, including muzzleloading shotguns, using shot not larger than #2 lead or BB steel shot, and bow and arrow but by no other means. Shooting turkeys from a moving or stationary vehicle is prohibited. Shotguns capable of holding more than three shells prohibited.

B. No person shall hunt, trap or take turkeys by the aid of baiting or on or over any baited area. Baiting means placing, exposing, depositing or scattering of corn (shelled, shucked or unshucked), wheat or other grain, salt, or other feed so as to constitute a lure, attraction or enticement to, on or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take turkeys.



C. A baited area is any area where corn (shelled, shucked or unshucked), wheat or other grain, salt, or other feed capable of luring, attracting or enticing turkeys is directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed or scattered. Such areas remain baited areas for 15 days following complete removal of all such corn, wheat or other grain, salt, or other feed.

D. Wildlife agents are authorized to close such baited areas and to place signs in the immediate vicinity designating closed zones and dates of closure.

E. The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries strongly discourages feeding agricultural grains to wild turkeys as this practice increases the risk of birds contracting potentially lethal diseases. Repeatedly placing grain in the same area may expose otherwise healthy birds to disease contaminated soils, grain containing lethal toxins and other diseased turkeys using the same feeding site. Properly distributed food plots (clovers, wheat, millet and chufa) are far more desirable for turkeys and have the added benefit of appealing to a wide variety of wildlife.

F. It is unlawful to take from the wild or possess in captivity any live wild turkeys or their eggs. No pen raised turkeys from within or without the state shall be liberated (released) within the state.

G. All licensed turkey hunters are required to have a Turkey Stamp in their possession while turkey hunting in addition to basic



and big game hunting licenses. Additionally, a WMA Hunting Permit is required of any person (age 18-59) who hunts on land administered by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, including Wildlife Management Areas, Wildlife Refuges, and Habitat Conservation Areas.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 25:2263 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2634 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

**§115. Statewide Turkey Hunting Areas-Resident Game Birds and Animals**

A. Shooting hours: one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

SPECIES	SEASON DATES	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Turkey	See Schedule	1	2/season

B. Turkey Hunting Schedule

AREA	SEASON DATES
A	March 23 - April 21
B	March 23 - April 14
C	March 23 - March 31

C. 2002 Turkey Hunting Season - Open Only in the Following Areas

1. Area A - March 23 - April 21



a. All of the following parishes are open:

- i. East Baton Rouge;
- ii. East Feliciana;
- iii. LaSalle;
- iv. Livingston;
- v. Natchitoches (Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates);
- vi. Pointe Coupee (Exception: see Sherburne WMA for special dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne boundaries);
- vii. St. Helena;
- viii. St. Tammany;
- ix. Tangipahoa;
- x. Washington;
- xi. West Baton Rouge;
- xii. West Feliciana (including Raccourci Island).

b. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

- i. Allen: North of LA 26 from DeRidder to the junction of LA 104 and north of LA 104;

- ii. Avoyelles: That portion bounded on the east by the Atchafalaya River, on the north by Red River to the Brouillette Community, on the west by LA 452 from Brouillette to LA



1, on the south by LA 1, eastward to Hamburg, thence by the West Atchafalaya Basin Protection levee southward;

iii. Beauregard: North of LA 26 east of DeRidder, north and east of US 171-190 from the junction of LA 26 to DeRidder, and north of US 190 from DeRidder to Texas state line;

iv. Caldwell: West of Ouachita River southward to Catahoula Parish line, east of LA 165 from LaSalle Parish line to the junction of LA 126, north of LA 126 westward to the Winn Parish line;

v. Catahoula: West of Ouachita River southward to LA 559 at Duty Ferry, north of LA 559 to LA 124, south and west of LA 124 from Duty Ferry to LA 8 at Harrisonburg and north of LA 8 to LA 126, north and east of LA 126. ALSO that portion lying east of LA 15;

vi. Concordia: That portion east of LA 15 and west of US 65 from its juncture with LA 15 at Clayton;

vii. Evangeline: North and west of LA 115, north of LA 106 from St. Landry to LA 13, west of LA 13 from Pine Prairie to Mamou and north of LA 104 west of Mamou;

viii. Franklin: That portion lying east of LA 17 and east of LA 15 from its juncture with LA 17 at Winnsboro;

ix. Grant: All of the parish except that portion of land that lies north of the Red River between US 71 and LA 8. Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie



National Forest dates;

x. Iberville: West of LA 1. EXCEPTION: see Sherburne WMA for special season dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne boundaries;

xi. Madison: That portion lying west of US 65 and south of US 80;

xii. Rapides: All of the parish except that portion of lands that lies north of the Red River and south of US 71 from its juncture with the Red River northward to the Grant Parish line. Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest season dates;

xiii. Richland: That portion south of US 80 and east of LA 17;

xiv. Sabine: That portion north of LA 6 from Toledo Bend Lake to Many; east of US 171 from Many to the Vernon Parish line;

xv. St. Landry: That portion bounded on the west by the West Atchafalaya Basin Protection Levee and on the east by the Atchafalaya River. EXCEPTION: the Indian Bayou Area, see Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Indian Bayou Area dates;

xvi. Upper St. Martin: All within the Atchafalaya Basin. EXCEPTIONS: Sherburne WMA and Indian Bayou Area, see WMA Turkey Hunting Schedule for special season dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne WMA



boundaries and see Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Indian Bayou dates;

xvii. Tensas: That portion west of US 65 from the Concordia Parish line to its juncture with LA 128, north of LA 128 to St. Joseph; west and north of LA 605, 604 and 3078 northward to Port Gibson Ferry. Also all lands east of the main channel of the Mississippi River;

xviii. Vernon: That portion east of US 171 from the Sabine Parish line to the junction of LA 111, south of LA 111 westward to LA 392, and south of LA 392 westward to the Sabine Parish line. Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest season dates.

2. Area B - March 23 - April 14

a. All of the following parishes are open:

- i. Bienville;
- ii. Bossier;
- iii. Caddo;
- iv. Claiborne;
- v. DeSoto;
- vi. Lincoln;
- vii. Red River;
- viii. Union;

ix. Webster (Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates);



x. Winn (Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates);

b. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Allen: South and west of LA 26 from DeRidder to US 190 east of Elton, north of US 190 from the junction of LA 26 to Kinder and west of US 165 south of Kinder;

ii. Beauregard: South of LA 26 east of DeRidder, east of US 171 from the junction of LA 26 and south of LA 12 west of Ragley;

iii. Calcasieu: South of LA 12 east of DeQuincy, east of LA 27 from DeQuincy to I-10 and North of I-10 east of Sulphur;

iv. East Carroll: East of US 65 from Arkansas state line to Madison Parish line;

v. Jackson: West of Parish Road 243 from Lincoln Parish line to Parish Road 238, west and south of Parish Road 238 to LA 144, west of LA 144 to LA 34, west of LA 34 to Chatham, north and west of LA 4 from Chatham to Weston, north and west of LA 505 from Weston to Wyatt, west of US 167 from Wyatt to Winn Parish line;

vi. Jefferson Davis: North of US 190 from junction with LA 26 to Kinder, west of US 165 and north of I-10 west from junction of US 165;

vii. Ouachita: East of LA 143 from Union



Parish line to US 80 in West Monroe, north of US 80 to LA 139, west of LA 139 to the Morehouse Parish line;

viii. Morehouse: West of US 165 from the Arkansas line to Bonita, north and west of LA 140 to junction of LA 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road), west of LA 830-4 to US 165, north of US 165 to LA 139, west of LA 139 to Ouachita Parish line;

3. Area C - March 23 - March 31

a. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Ascension: All east of the Mississippi River;

ii. Catahoula: That portion lying south of Deer Creek to Boeuf River, east of Boeuf and Ouachita Rivers to LA 8 at Harrisonburg, west of LA 8 to LA 913, west of LA 913 and LA 15 to Deer Creek;

iii. Concordia: North and east of Sugar Mill Chute (Concordia Parish) from the state line westward to Red River, east of Red River northward to Cocodrie Bayou, east of Cocodrie Bayou northward to US 84, south of US 84 eastward to LA 15 (Ferriday), east of LA 15 northward to US 65 (Clayton), east of US 65 northward to Tensas Parish line;

iv. Franklin: That portion lying west of LA 17, from Richland Parish line to LA 577 at Crowville, north of LA 577 to LA 15 at Baskin, east of LA 15 to Big Creek, and south and east of Big Creek to Richland Parish line;



v. Iberville: All east of the Mississippi River;

vi. Madison: South of US 80 and east of US 65 to Tensas Parish line and all lands lying east of the main channel of the Mississippi River;

vii. Richland: West of LA 17 from Franklin Parish line to Ringle Rd., south of Ringle Rd. to Ferguson Rd., south of Ferguson Rd. to Little Rd., south of Little Rd. to Big Creek, east of Big Creek to Franklin Parish line;

viii. Tensas: East and south of US 65 from Concordia Parish line to LA 128, south of LA 128 to St. Joseph, east and south of LA 605, 604 and 3078 northward to Port Gibson Ferry.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 25:2264 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2634 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

#### **§117. 2002 Wildlife Management Area Turkey - Hunting Regulations**

##### **A. General**

1. The following rules and regulations concerning management, protection and harvest of wildlife have been officially approved and adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission in accordance with the authority provided in Louisiana Revised



Statutes of 1950, Section 109 of Title 56. Failure to comply with these regulations will subject the individual to citation and/or expulsion from the management area.

2. Only those Wildlife Management Areas listed are open to turkey hunting.

3. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles cannot be left overnight on WMAs EXCEPT in designated camping areas. ATVs are prohibited from two hours after sunset to 3:00 AM. All roads including trails and roads designated as ATV only trails shall be closed to ATVs from March 1 through August 31 unless otherwise specified. ATV off-road or off-trail travel is prohibited. Certain trails may be open during this time period to provide access for fishing or other purposes. These trails will be marked by signs at the entrance of the trail. Otherwise, only walk-in hunting is permitted (bicycles permitted).

4. Bag limits on WMAs are part of the season bag limit. Only one turkey is allowed to be taken during special lottery hunts.

#### B. Permits

1. Self-Clearing Permits: All turkey hunts, including lottery hunts, are self-clearing. Hunters must check in daily by obtaining a permit from a self-clearing station prior to hunting. The self-clearing permit must be in the hunter's possession while hunting. Upon completion of each days hunt, the hunter must check



out by completing and depositing the hunter report portion of the permit in the check-out box at a self-clearing station before exiting the WMA.

2. Lottery Hunts: Bayou Macon, Dewey Wills, Loggy Bayou, Sabine, Sherburne, Sicily Island, Tunica Hills, Union and West Bay WMAs are restricted to those persons selected as a result of the pre-application lottery. Special youth only lottery hunts will be held on Big Lake, Bens Creek, Fort Polk, Loggy Bayou, Sherburne, and West Bay WMAs. Deadline for receiving applications for all lottery hunts is February 15, 2002. An application fee of \$5 must be sent with each application. Applicants may submit only one application and will be selected for one WMA Turkey Lottery Hunt annually. Submitting more than one application will result in disqualification. Contact any district office for applications. Hunters must abide by self-clearing permit requirements. Youths chosen for special youth only hunts will be guided by members of the Louisiana Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation. One family member may accompany the youth and guide, but may not hunt.

C. Wildlife Management Area Turkey Hunting Schedule\*

WMA	Season Dates	Permit Requirements	Lottery Dates**
Bayou Macon	April 6-7	Self-Clearing	April 6-7
Bens Creek <sup>1</sup>	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None



Big Lake	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Bodcau	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Boeuf	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Boise Vernon	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Camp Beauregard	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Dewey Wills	March 23-24 March 30-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31
Fort Polk	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
Georgia- Pacific	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Grassy Lake	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Hutchinson Creek	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
Jackson- Bienville	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Little River	March 23-April 7	Self-clearing	None
Loggy Bayou	April 13-14	Self-Clearing	April 13-14
Pearl River	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Peason Ridge	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
Pomme de Terre	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Red River	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Sabine	March 23-24 March 30-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31



Sandy Hollow <sup>1</sup>	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Sherburne <sup>2</sup>	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 25-27
Sicily Island	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-25 March 26-28 March 29-31
Three Rivers	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Tunica Hills South Tract	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21
Tunica Hills Angola Tract <sup>3</sup>	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21
Union	April 6-7	Self-Clearing	April 6-7
Walnut Hill	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
West Bay	March 23-24 March 30-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31

\*Only those Wildlife Management Areas listed have a turkey hunting season. All other areas are closed.

\*\*The deadline for receiving applications for all turkey Lottery Hunts on WMAs is February 15, 2002.

<sup>1</sup>No turkey hunting within 100 yards of food plots identified by two yellow paint rings around the nearest tree.

<sup>2</sup>All turkeys harvested on Sherburne WMA must be weighed and checked at WMA headquarters.

<sup>3</sup>Scouting access limited. Contact Region 7 office for details



(225) 765-2360.

D. Wildlife Management Area Youth Hunts

WMA	Lottery Youth Hunt Date
Bens Creek	March 16
Big Lake	March 16
Fort Polk	March 16
Loggy Bayou	April 6
Sherburne	March 16
West Bay	March 16

E. Federal Lands Turkey Hunting Schedule

1. Kisatchie National Forest (KNF) turkey hunting schedule: Caney Ranger District, March 23-April 7; all remaining KNF lands, March 23-April 14 (including Catahoula and Red Dirt National Wildlife Management Preserves).

2. Indian Bayou Area (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers), turkey hunting schedule: March 23-31, lottery hunt only on March 23-24 and March 25-27. Contact USCOE at 337-585-0856 for further information.

3. National Wildlife Refuges: Bogue Chitto NWR, March 23-April 21; Lake Ophelia NWR, March 23-25 (lottery only), March 30-April 1 (lottery only), April 6-7; Tensas NWR, March 23 - April 21. Contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for information regarding NWR hunts.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.



HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission LR 25:2265 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2636 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone

Chairman



RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

December 6, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, December 6, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting a season in 2002 for turkeys, and

WHEREAS, authority to establish seasons, bag limits, possession limits and other rules and regulations for the hunting, taking and possession of any species of wild game birds is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of wild turkeys and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all available biological information, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rules, regulations, season dates, and bag limits affecting sport hunting of wild turkeys are hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

---

Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

---

James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries



## RULE

### Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby amend the turkey rules and regulations for the 2002 season.

## Title 76

### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

#### Part XIX. Hunting and WMA Regulations

##### Chapter 1. Resident Game Hunting Season

##### §113. Turkey Hunting Regulations

A. Daily limit is one gobbler, two gobblers per season. Still hunting only. Use of dogs, baiting, electronic calling devices and live decoys is illegal. Turkeys may be hunted with shotguns, including muzzleloading shotguns, using shot not larger than #2 lead or BB steel shot, and bow and arrow but by no other means. Shooting turkeys from a moving or stationary vehicle is prohibited. Shotguns capable of holding more than three shells prohibited.

B. No person shall hunt, trap or take turkeys by the aid of baiting or on or over any baited area. Baiting means placing, exposing, depositing or scattering of corn (shelled, shucked or unshucked), wheat or other grain, salt, or other feed so as to constitute a lure, attraction or enticement to, on or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take turkeys.



C. A baited area is any area where corn (shelled, shucked or unshucked), wheat or other grain, salt, or other feed capable of luring, attracting or enticing turkeys is directly or indirectly placed, exposed, deposited, distributed or scattered. Such areas remain baited areas for 15 days following complete removal of all such corn, wheat or other grain, salt, or other feed.

D. Wildlife agents are authorized to close such baited areas and to place signs in the immediate vicinity designating closed zones and dates of closure.

E. The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries strongly discourages feeding agricultural grains to wild turkeys as this practice increases the risk of birds contracting potentially lethal diseases. Repeatedly placing grain in the same area may expose otherwise healthy birds to disease contaminated soils, grain containing lethal toxins and other diseased turkeys using the same feeding site. Properly distributed food plots (clovers, wheat, millet and chufa) are far more desirable for turkeys and have the added benefit of appealing to a wide variety of wildlife.

F. It is unlawful to take from the wild or possess in captivity any live wild turkeys or their eggs. No pen raised turkeys from within or without the state shall be liberated (released) within the state.

G. All licensed turkey hunters are required to have a Turkey Stamp in their possession while turkey hunting in addition to basic



and big game hunting licenses. Additionally, a WMA Hunting Permit is required of any person (age 18-59) who hunts on land administered by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, including Wildlife Management Areas, Wildlife Refuges, and Habitat Conservation Areas.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 25:2263 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2634 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

**§115. Statewide Turkey Hunting Areas-Resident Game Birds and Animals**

A. Shooting hours: one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

SPECIES	SEASON DATES	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Turkey	See Schedule	1	2/season

B. Turkey Hunting Schedule

AREA	SEASON DATES
A	March 23 - April 21
B	March 23 - April 14
C	March 23 - March 31

C. 2002 Turkey Hunting Season - Open Only in the Following Areas

1. Area A - March 23 - April 21



a. All of the following parishes are open:

- i. East Baton Rouge;
- ii. East Feliciana;
- iii. LaSalle;
- iv. Livingston;
- v. Natchitoches (Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates);
- vi. Pointe Coupee (Exception: see Sherburne WMA for special dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne boundaries);
- vii. St. Helena;
- viii. St. Tammany;
- ix. Tangipahoa;
- x. Washington;
- xi. West Baton Rouge;
- xii. West Feliciana (including Raccourci Island).

b. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

- i. Allen: North of LA 26 from DeRidder to the junction of LA 104 and north of LA 104;
- ii. Avoyelles: That portion bounded on the east by the Atchafalaya River, on the north by Red River to the Brouillette Community, on the west by LA 452 from Brouillette to LA



1, on the south by LA 1, eastward to Hamburg, thence by the West Atchafalaya Basin Protection levee southward;

iii. Beauregard: North of LA 26 east of DeRidder, north and east of US 171-190 from the junction of LA 26 to DeRidder, and north of US 190 from DeRidder to Texas state line;

iv. Caldwell: West of Ouachita River southward to Catahoula Parish line, east of LA 165 from LaSalle Parish line to the junction of LA 126, north of LA 126 westward to the Winn Parish line;

v. Catahoula: West of Ouachita River southward to LA 559 at Duty Ferry, north of LA 559 to LA 124, south and west of LA 124 from Duty Ferry to LA 8 at Harrisonburg and north of LA 8 to LA 126, north and east of LA 126. ALSO that portion lying east of LA 15;

vi. Concordia: That portion east of LA 15 and west of US 65 from its juncture with LA 15 at Clayton;

vii. Evangeline: North and west of LA 115, north of LA 106 from St. Landry to LA 13, west of LA 13 from Pine Prairie to Mamou and north of LA 104 west of Mamou;

viii. Franklin: That portion lying east of LA 17 and east of LA 15 from its juncture with LA 17 at Winnsboro;

ix. Grant: All of the parish except that portion of land that lies north of the Red River between US 71 and LA 8. Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie



National Forest dates;

x. Iberville: West of LA 1. EXCEPTION: see Sherburne WMA for special season dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne boundaries;

xi. Madison: That portion lying west of US 65 and south of US 80;

xii. Rapides: All of the parish except that portion of lands that lies north of the Red River and south of US 71 from its juncture with the Red River northward to the Grant Parish line. Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest season dates;

xiii. Richland: That portion south of US 80 and east of LA 17;

xiv. Sabine: That portion north of LA 6 from Toledo Bend Lake to Many; east of US 171 from Many to the Vernon Parish line;

xv. St. Landry: That portion bounded on the west by the West Atchafalaya Basin Protection Levee and on the east by the Atchafalaya River. EXCEPTION: the Indian Bayou Area, see Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Indian Bayou Area dates;

xvi. Upper St. Martin: All within the Atchafalaya Basin. EXCEPTIONS: Sherburne WMA and Indian Bayou Area, see WMA Turkey Hunting Schedule for special season dates on all state, federal and private lands within Sherburne WMA



boundaries and see Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Indian Bayou dates;

xvii. Tensas: That portion west of US 65 from the Concordia Parish line to its juncture with LA 128, north of LA 128 to St. Joseph; west and north of LA 605, 604 and 3078 northward to Port Gibson Ferry. Also all lands east of the main channel of the Mississippi River;

xviii. Vernon: That portion east of US 171 from the Sabine Parish line to the junction of LA 111, south of LA 111 westward to LA 392, and south of LA 392 westward to the Sabine Parish line. Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest season dates.

2. Area B - March 23 - April 14

a. All of the following parishes are open:

i. Bienville;

ii. Bossier;

iii. Caddo;

iv. Claiborne;

v. DeSoto;

vi. Lincoln;

vii. Red River;

viii. Union;

ix. Webster (Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates);



x. Winn (Exception: See Federal Lands Hunting Schedule for Kisatchie National Forest dates);

b. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Allen: South and west of LA 26 from DeRidder to US 190 east of Elton, north of US 190 from the junction of LA 26 to Kinder and west of US 165 south of Kinder;

ii. Beauregard: South of LA 26 east of DeRidder, east of US 171 from the junction of LA 26 and south of LA 12 west of Ragley;

iii. Calcasieu: South of LA 12 east of DeQuincy, east of LA 27 from DeQuincy to I-10 and North of I-10 east of Sulphur;

iv. East Carroll: East of US 65 from Arkansas state line to Madison Parish line;

v. Jackson: West of Parish Road 243 from Lincoln Parish line to Parish Road 238, west and south of Parish Road 238 to LA 144, west of LA 144 to LA 34, west of LA 34 to Chatham, north and west of LA 4 from Chatham to Weston, north and west of LA 505 from Weston to Wyatt, west of US 167 from Wyatt to Winn Parish line;

vi. Jefferson Davis: North of US 190 from junction with LA 26 to Kinder, west of US 165 and north of I-10 west from junction of US 165;

vii. Ouachita: East of LA 143 from Union



Parish line to US 80 in West Monroe, north of US 80 to LA 139, west of LA 139 to the Morehouse Parish line;

viii. Morehouse: West of US 165 from the Arkansas line to Bonita, north and west of LA 140 to junction of LA 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road), west of LA 830-4 to US 165, north of US 165 to LA 139, west of LA 139 to Ouachita Parish line;

3. Area C - March 23 - March 31

a. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Ascension: All east of the Mississippi River;

ii. - Catahoula: That portion lying south of Deer Creek to Boeuf River, east of Boeuf and Ouachita Rivers to LA 8 at Harrisonburg, west of LA 8 to LA 913, west of LA 913 and LA 15 to Deer Creek;

iii. Concordia: North and east of Sugar Mill Chute (Concordia Parish) from the state line westward to Red River, east of Red River northward to Cocodrie Bayou, east of Cocodrie Bayou northward to US 84, south of US 84 eastward to LA 15 (Ferriday), east of LA 15 northward to US 65 (Clayton), east of US 65 northward to Tensas Parish line;

iv. Franklin: That portion lying west of LA 17, from Richland Parish line to LA 577 at Crowville, north of LA 577 to LA 15 at Baskin, east of LA 15 to Big Creek, and south and east of Big Creek to Richland Parish line;



v. Iberville: All east of the Mississippi River;

vi. Madison: South of US 80 and east of US 65 to Tensas Parish line and all lands lying east of the main channel of the Mississippi River;

vii. Richland: West of LA 17 from Franklin Parish line to Ringle Rd., south of Ringle Rd. to Ferguson Rd., south of Ferguson Rd. to Little Rd., south of Little Rd. to Big Creek, east of Big Creek to Franklin Parish line;

viii. Tensas: East and south of US 65 from Concordia Parish line to LA 128, south of LA 128 to St. Joseph, east and south of LA 605, 604 and 3078 northward to Port Gibson Ferry.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 25:2264 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2634 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

**§117. 2002 Wildlife Management Area Turkey - Hunting Regulations**

**A. General**

1. The following rules and regulations concerning management, protection and harvest of wildlife have been officially approved and adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission in accordance with the authority provided in Louisiana Revised



Statutes of 1950, Section 109 of Title 56. Failure to comply with these regulations will subject the individual to citation and/or expulsion from the management area.

2. Only those Wildlife Management Areas listed are open to turkey hunting.

3. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles cannot be left overnight on WMAs EXCEPT in designated camping areas. ATVs are prohibited from two hours after sunset to 3:00 AM. All roads including trails and roads designated as ATV only trails shall be closed to ATVs from March 1 through August 31 unless otherwise specified. ATV off-road or off-trail travel is prohibited. Certain trails may be open during this time period to provide access for fishing or other purposes. These trails will be marked by signs at the entrance of the trail. Otherwise, only walk-in hunting is permitted (bicycles permitted).

4. Bag limits on WMAs are part of the season bag limit. Only one turkey is allowed to be taken during special lottery hunts.

#### B. Permits

1. Self-Clearing Permits: All turkey hunts, including lottery hunts, are self-clearing. Hunters must check in daily by obtaining a permit from a self-clearing station prior to hunting. The self-clearing permit must be in the hunter's possession while hunting. Upon completion of each days hunt, the hunter must check



out by completing and depositing the hunter report portion of the permit in the check-out box at a self-clearing station before exiting the WMA.

2. Lottery Hunts: Bayou Macon, Dewey Wills, Loggy Bayou, Sabine, Sherburne, Sicily Island, Tunica Hills, Union and West Bay WMAs are restricted to those persons selected as a result of the pre-application lottery. Special youth only lottery hunts will be held on Big Lake, Bens Creek, Fort Polk, Loggy Bayou, Sherburne, and West Bay WMAs. Deadline for receiving applications for all lottery hunts is February 15, 2002. An application fee of \$5 must be sent with each application. Applicants may submit only one application and will be selected for one WMA Turkey Lottery Hunt annually. Submitting more than one application will result in disqualification. Contact any district office for applications. Hunters must abide by self-clearing permit requirements. Youths chosen for special youth only hunts will be guided by members of the Louisiana Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation. One family member may accompany the youth and guide, but may not hunt.

C. Wildlife Management Area Turkey Hunting Schedule\*

WMA	Season Dates	Permit Requirements	Lottery Dates**
Bayou Macon	April 6-7	Self-Clearing	April 6-7
Bens Creek <sup>1</sup>	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None



Big Lake	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Bodcau	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Boeuf	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Boise Vernon	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Camp Beauregard	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Dewey Wills	March 23-24 March 30-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31
Fort Polk	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
Georgia- Pacific	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Grassy Lake	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Hutchinson Creek	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
Jackson- Bienville	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Little River	March 23-April 7	Self-clearing	None
Loggy Bayou	April 13-14	Self-Clearing	April 13-14
Pearl River	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Peason Ridge	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
Pomme de Terre	March 23-April 7	Self-Clearing	None
Red River	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Sabine	March 23-24 March 30-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31



Sandy Hollow <sup>1</sup>	March 23-April 14	Self-Clearing	None
Sherburne <sup>2</sup>	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 25-27
Sicily Island	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-25 March 26-28 March 29-31
Three Rivers	March 23-31	Self-Clearing	None
Tunica Hills South Tract	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21
Tunica Hills Angola Tract <sup>3</sup>	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31 April 13-14 April 20-21
Union	April 6-7	Self-Clearing	April 6-7
Walnut Hill	March 23-April 21	Self-Clearing	None
West Bay	March 23-24 March 30-31	Self-Clearing	March 23-24 March 30-31

\*Only those Wildlife Management Areas listed have a turkey hunting season. All other areas are closed.

\*\*The deadline for receiving applications for all turkey Lottery Hunts on WMAs is February 15, 2002.

<sup>1</sup>No turkey hunting within 100 yards of food plots identified by two yellow paint rings around the nearest tree.

<sup>2</sup>All turkeys harvested on Sherburne WMA must be weighed and checked at WMA headquarters.

<sup>3</sup>Scouting access limited. Contact Region 7 office for details



(225) 765-2360.

D. Wildlife Management Area Youth Hunts

WMA	Lottery Youth Hunt Date
Bens Creek	March 16
Big Lake	March 16
Fort Polk	March 16
Loggy Bayou	April 6
Sherburne	March 16
West Bay	March 16

E. Federal Lands Turkey Hunting Schedule

1. Kisatchie National Forest (KNF) turkey hunting schedule: Caney Ranger District, March 23-April 7; all remaining KNF lands, March 23-April 14 (including Catahoula and Red Dirt National Wildlife Management Preserves).

2. Indian Bayou Area (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers), turkey hunting schedule: March 23-31, lottery hunt only on March 23-24 and March 25-27. Contact USCOE at 337-585-0856 for further information.

3. National Wildlife Refuges: Bogue Chitto NWR, March 23-April 21; Lake Ophelia NWR, March 23-25 (lottery only), March 30-April 1 (lottery only), April 6-7; Tensas NWR, March 23 - April 21. Contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for information regarding NWR hunts.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.



HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission LR 25:2265 (November 1999), amended LR 26:2636 (November 2000), LR 27: (December 2001).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone

Chairman



**PROCEDURE FOR ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN  
(Pursuant to Article IV of the Bylaws)**

- I. The election procedure shall be by roll call vote.
- II. Election of Chairman
  - A. Chair entertains nominations for chairman
    - any number may be nominated.
    - no second required for nominations.
    - chairman may not serve succeeding terms.
  - B. When it appears that no further nominations are forthcoming, the chair declares nominations closed.
  - C. When nominations are closed, the chair will call for votes for each of the persons nominated - in the order of nomination. If there is only one nominee, the chair declares election by acclamation.
  - D. When any nominee receives a majority vote of the members present, then voting ceases and he is declared chairman.
  - E. In the event that there are more than two nominees for chairman and no nominee receives a majority vote of those present, then the balloting shall be repeated as many times as necessary until one candidate obtains a majority vote. If second and subsequent balloting is required, all nominees are kept on the ballot.
  - F. Outgoing chairman continues to preside over election of vice-chairman and until adjournment.
- III. Election of Vice-Chairman

When a chairman is declared, then the Commission proceeds to elect a vice-chairman using the same procedure set out above for chairman. The vice-chairman can succeed himself.
- IV. POINTS OF ORDER - ALL OBJECTIONS, QUESTIONS OR POINTS OF ORDER CONCERNING THE ABOVE PROCEDURE OR THE ELECTION **MUST** BE MADE PRIOR TO ADJOURNMENT OF THIS MEETING. IF NOT MADE PRIOR TO THE ADJOURNMENT, THEY ARE WAIVED.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 2002						
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				



## MONTHLY CIVIL RESTITUTION REPORT

PERIOD	NO. CASES ASSESSED	AMOUNT ASSESSED	CREDIT FOR SALE GOODS	NO. CASES PAID	AMOUNT PAID	DISCOUNTS TAKEN	PERCENT DOLLARS PAID	PERCENT CASES PAID
FISCAL YEAR 1993-94								
July, 1993	25	\$21,039.00	(\$9,778.00)	29	\$4,855.00	\$2,545.00		
Aug., 1993	53	\$44,922.00	(\$1,137.00)	41	\$7,950.00	\$3,603.00		
Sept., 1993	42	\$137,635.00	(\$17,938.00)	35	\$6,783.00	\$3,048.00		
Oct., 1993	49	\$21,471.00	(\$11,282.00)	40	\$3,285.00	\$1,519.00		
Nov., 1993	57	\$31,207.00	(\$13,260.00)	32	\$3,053.00	\$2,845.00		
Dec., 1993	53	\$13,777.00		27	\$6,507.00	\$6,713.00		
Jan., 1994	38	\$18,918.00		32	\$4,423.00	\$2,831.00		
Feb., 1994	68	\$38,131.00	(\$8,238.00)	46	\$9,124.00	\$5,993.00		
Mar., 1994	38	\$22,739.00	(\$2,482.00)	51	\$10,854.00	\$6,796.00		
April, 1994	14	\$44,732.00	(\$1,404.00)	27	\$7,307.00	\$4,632.00		
May, 1994	10	\$4,504.00	(\$165.00)	7	\$5,447.00	\$3,808.00		
June, 1994	29	\$26,167.00	(\$2,986.00)	12	\$1,886.00	\$1,214.00		
Total FY 1994	476	\$425,242.00	(\$68,670.00)	379	\$71,474.00	\$45,547.00	27.5%	79.6%
FISCAL YEAR 1994-95								
July, 1994	17	\$2,127.00	(\$335.00)	23	\$2,101.00	\$1,437.00		
Aug., 1994	41	\$96,403.00	(\$3,035.00)	20	\$1,010.00	\$605.00		
Sept., 1994	34	\$14,614.00	(\$14,002.00)	26	\$2,596.00	\$2,342.00		
Oct., 1994	94	\$17,426.00	(\$8,677.00)	38	\$2,922.00	\$3,179.00		
Nov., 1994	43	\$103,592.00		45	\$3,992.00	\$2,803.00		
Dec., 1994	68	\$31,400.00		35	\$4,315.00	\$2,329.00		
Jan., 1995	55	\$27,601.00		52	\$7,493.00	\$4,921.00		
Feb., 1995	70	\$61,119.00		41	\$6,472.00	\$3,973.00		
Mar., 1995	31	\$25,072.00		44	\$8,315.00	\$4,737.00		
Apr., 1995	13	\$15,353.00		16	\$3,565.00	\$1,538.00		
May., 1995	23	\$11,632.00		16	\$4,315.00	\$654.00		
June 1995	45	\$31,008.00		18	\$2,630.00	\$1,025.00		
Total FY 1995	534	\$437,347.00	(\$26,049.00)	374	\$49,726.00	\$29,543.00	18.1%	70.0%
FICAL YEAR 1995-96								
July, 1995	0	\$0.00						
Aug., 1995	46	\$17,425.00		27	\$9,028.00	\$1,729.00		
Sept., 1995	1	\$125.00		21	\$3,093.00	\$2,049.00		
Oct., 1995	122	\$206,244.00		29	\$2,720.00	\$1,161.00		
Nov., 1995	55	\$23,124.00		62	\$10,151.00	\$6,383.00		
Dec., 1995	50	\$18,607.26		32	\$4,780.66	\$2,802.76		
Jan., 1996	49	\$13,814.88	(\$15,296.45)	36	\$5,296.51	\$3,472.89		
Feb., 1996	50	\$14,716.97		38	\$5,777.53	\$3,416.91		
Mar., 1996	33	\$24,936.91		36	\$6,035.12	\$3,421.75		
Apr., 1996	30	\$11,006.66		36	\$7,173.12	\$2,711.54		
May., 1996	23	\$7,989.34		24	\$3,941.69	\$2,020.29		
June 1996	50	\$22,151.31		16	\$2,790.02	\$1,182.23		
Total FY 1996	509	\$360,141.33	(\$15,296.45)	357	\$60,786.65	\$30,350.37	25.3%	70.1%
FISCAL YEAR 1996-97								
July, 1996	40	\$71,894.13		32	\$5,249.93	\$2,947.96		
Aug., 1996	32	\$5,362.64		32	\$6,254.59	\$3,783.69		
Sept., 1996	41	\$7,210.00		29	\$2,259.96	\$1,326.58		
Oct., 1996	29	\$11,092.53		25	\$3,697.89	\$2,261.98		
Nov., 1996	20	\$10,009.10		22	\$1,624.63	\$698.02		
Dec., 1996	13	\$238,466.04		22	\$5,877.18	\$2,121.53		
Jan., 1997	27	\$11,755.22		17	\$4,393.30	\$2,377.09		
Feb., 1997	47	\$18,520.87		42	\$8,579.84	\$5,552.63		
Mar., 1997	26	\$13,434.02		27	\$4,999.59	\$2,757.67		
Apr., 1997	10	\$2,908.87		15	\$2,322.88	\$1,298.66		
May., 1997	20	\$11,682.70		15	\$5,198.91	\$1,399.21		
June 1997	5	\$8,036.58		10	\$2,335.24	\$765.34		
Total FY 1997	310	\$410,372.70	\$0.00	288	\$52,793.94	\$27,290.36	19.5%	92.9%
FICAL YEAR 1997 - 98								
July, 1997	10	\$2,811.71		8	\$1,584.67	\$823.11		
Aug., 1997	14	\$8,741.30		8	\$1,496.49	\$779.14		
Sept., 1997	29	\$19,926.37		12	\$2,051.78	\$1,278.04		
Oct., 1997	12	\$4,716.81		23	\$3,184.83	\$2,063.89		
Nov., 1997	23	\$54,965.34		10	\$2,424.86	\$1,218.28		
Dec., 1997	25	\$36,881.09		15	\$4,376.97	\$2,775.66		
Jan., 1998	42	\$30,025.81		17	\$5,300.40	\$3,533.66		
Feb., 1998	37	\$31,164.95		29	\$22,961.69	\$8,501.18		
Mar., 1998	9	\$13,273.45		32	\$9,406.56	\$4,371.53		



Apr., 1998	10	\$5,628.21		10	\$2,602.62	\$1,279.77		
May., 1998	0	\$225.00		8	\$2,885.02	\$950.46		
June 1998	5	\$2,414.03		6	\$1,041.54	\$98.00		
Total FY 1998	216	\$210,774.07	\$0.00	178	\$59,317.43	\$27,672.72	41.3%	82.4%
FICAL YEAR 1998 - 99								
July, 1998	9	\$1,390.43		8	\$1,964.20	\$716.75		
Aug., 1998	10	\$2,240.70		10	\$1,048.28	\$372.47		
Sept., 1998	8	\$2,768.96		11	\$2,000.36	\$1,148.23		
Oct., 1998	22	\$28,704.85		14	\$1,860.17	\$807.48		
Nov., 1998	19	\$9,137.79		11	\$1,765.97	\$1,092.43		
Dec., 1998	23	\$11,959.10		27	\$4,441.02	\$2,040.71		
Jan., 1999	41	\$21,179.55		18	\$6,621.63	\$3,838.22		
Feb., 1999	45	\$26,236.24		41	\$12,119.09	\$6,923.61		
Mar., 1999	15	\$7,549.57		33	\$8,281.77	\$4,138.44		
Apr., 1999	9	\$8,013.54		14	\$3,035.82	\$1,388.41		
May., 1999	5	\$5,161.23		5	\$905.50	\$405.00		
June 1999	7	\$3,719.01		13	\$3,011.06	\$533.83		
Total FY 1999	213	\$128,060.97	\$0.00	205	\$47,054.87	\$23,405.58	55.0%	96.2%
FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000								
July, 1999	5	\$1,556.38		9	\$2,287.53	\$1,198.81		
Aug., 1999	10	\$2,510.83		15	\$2,455.38	\$513.73		
Sept., 1999	6	\$2,032.19	\$5,324.80	28	\$3,563.06	\$475.93		
Oct., 1999	11	\$4,452.31	\$567.75	25	\$2,775.48	\$557.41		
Nov., 1999	14	\$8,634.64		26	\$3,250.96	\$1,322.96		
Dec., 1999	24	\$15,891.96		19	\$3,862.76	\$2,126.27		
Jan., 2000	49	\$27,872.14		28	\$7,952.94	\$3,814.02		
Feb., 2000	21	\$11,039.59		30	\$10,159.24	\$6,216.42		
Mar., 2000	19	\$9,873.21		31	\$6,709.07	\$3,555.40		
Apr., 2000	12	\$7,897.70		17	\$2,932.41	\$1,512.54		
May, 2000	7	\$5,039.46	\$293.60	20	\$7,062.23	\$3,164.00		
June, 2000	16	\$14,566.88		18	\$5,766.59	\$1,852.12		
Total FY 2000	194	\$111,367.29	\$6,186.15	266	\$58,777.65	\$26,309.61	76%	137%
FISCAL YEAR 2000-01								
July, 2000	2	\$865.01		14	\$1,948.03	\$154.01		
Aug., 2000	20	\$15,837.60		17	\$3,302.27	\$1,063.92		
Sept., 2000	12	\$3,562.26		23	\$8,718.21	\$1,351.41		
Oct., 2000	18	\$122,696.24		29	\$7,457.98	\$490.16		
Nov. 2000	13	\$15,851.30		22	\$4,038.50	\$309.30		
Dec., 2000	40	\$30,234.92		24	\$7,189.98	\$462.13		
Jan., 2001	28	\$15,923.38		25	\$7,611.66	\$833.60		
Feb., 2001	35	\$20,181.39		30	\$18,568.12	\$1,917.82		
Mar., 2001	8	\$5,956.83		37	\$15,724.02	\$753.86		
Apr., 2001	20	\$24,145.82		22	\$4,856.39	\$225.93		
May 2001	4	\$1,677.36		20	\$3,700.77	\$313.58		
June 2001	3	\$932.20		31	\$8,433.81	\$346.90		
Total FY 2001	203	\$257,864.31	\$0.00	294	\$91,549.74	\$8,222.62	39%	145%
FISCAL YEAR 2001-02								
July, 2001	4	\$4,290.29		25	\$6,328.36	\$293.54		
Aug., 2001	6	\$9,452.69		18	\$2,984.52			
Sept., 2001	0	\$175.00		25	\$4,157.32	\$66.29		
Oct., 2001	15	\$6,439.06		18	\$3,174.66	\$67.32		
Nov., 2001	15	\$5,913.63		24	\$3,932.41	\$194.66		
Dec., 2001								
Jan., 2002								
Feb., 2002								
Mar., 2002								
Apr., 2002								
May, 2002								
June, 2002								
Total FY 2002	40	\$26,270.67	\$0.00	110	\$20,577.27	\$621.81	81%	275%



ENF\_521U

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
CIVIL RESTITUTION ACTIVITY REPORT  
CURRENT MONTH  
11/01/2001 TO 11/30/2001PAGE: 1  
DATE: 12/04/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	15	\$5,713.63
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	8	\$200.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	0	\$0.00
=====		
RESTITUTION ASSESSED	15	\$5,913.63
PAYMENTS	8	\$1,926.88-
PAYMENTS AFTER PAST DUE NOTICE	3	\$425.00-
PAYMENTS AFTER REVOKED NOTICE	6	\$580.99-
PAYMENTS FROM COLLECTION EFFORT	7	\$874.54-
PAYMENTS FROM HRG COST ASSESSED	5	\$125.00-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	4	\$194.66-
OVERPAYMENTS	1	\$104.91
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	1	\$104.91
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	0	\$0.00
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	0	\$0.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	1	\$395.71-
WRITE-OFFS	0	\$0.00
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	0	\$0.00
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	0	\$0.00
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	2	\$1,049.08-
DISMISSED BY D.A.	0	\$0.00
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00
-----		
FOOTNOTE:		
FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
CIVIL RESTITUTION ACTIVITY REPORT  
FISCAL YEAR TO DATE  
07/01/2001 TO 11/30/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	40	\$25,895.67
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	15	\$375.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	0	\$0.00
=====		
RESTITUTION ASSESSED	40	\$26,270.67
PAYMENTS	39	\$11,571.23-
PAYMENTS AFTER PAST DUE NOTICE	10	\$1,956.81-
PAYMENTS AFTER REVOKED NOTICE	14	\$2,134.13-
PAYMENTS FROM COLLECTION EFFORT	16	\$4,540.10-
PAYMENTS FROM HRG COST ASSESSED	24	\$625.00-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	11	\$621.81-
OVERPAYMENTS	6	\$123.77
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	3	\$310.71
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	0	\$0.00
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	0	\$0.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	1	\$395.71-
WRITE-OFFS	1	\$554.12-
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	0	\$0.00
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	0	\$0.00
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	2	\$1,049.08-
DISMISSED BY D.A.	0	\$0.00
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00
-----		
FOOTNOTE:		
FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
CIVIL RESTITUTION ACTIVITY REPORT  
INCEPTION TO DATE  
11/30/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	4,238	\$2,986,356.89
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	273	\$7,250.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	331	\$269,865.45-
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	148	\$71,951.21
=====		
RESTITUTION ASSESSED	4,238	\$2,795,692.65
PAYMENTS	2,867	\$579,079.85-
PAYMENTS AFTER PAST DUE NOTICE	25	\$3,653.51-
PAYMENTS AFTER REVOKED NOTICE	58	\$17,708.64-
PAYMENTS FROM COLLECTION EFFORT	41	\$12,717.70-
PAYMENTS FROM HRG COST ASSESSED	147	\$3,850.00-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	2,007	\$252,464.38-
OVERPAYMENTS	147	\$3,320.34
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	56	\$11,585.90
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	14	\$31,747.30-
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	5	\$12,222.64
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	20	\$90,603.09
RETURNED CHECKS	1	\$61.75
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	3	\$55.00
CREDITS	13	\$10.22-
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	21	\$6,881.15
CREDITS	63	\$37,099.87-
WRITE-OFFS	977	\$1,026,803.42-
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	6	\$1,399.24-
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	24	\$12,388.00-
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	65	\$150,318.29-
DISMISSED BY D.A.	0	\$0.00
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00
=====		
** TOTAL OUTSTANDING	352	\$791,182.10

-----  
FOOTNOTE:

FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	37	\$106,809.20 *
--------------------------------	----	----------------



## AGING OF SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODITIES

VIOLATION DATE UNKNOWN	0	\$0.00
1 - 30 DAYS	1	\$527.30
31 - 60 DAYS	4	\$3,263.45
61 - 90 DAYS	4	\$1,938.00
91 - 120 DAYS	12	\$14,148.05
121 - 150 DAYS	18	\$20,476.07
151 - 180 DAYS	21	\$36,851.40
181 - 365 DAYS	42	\$31,575.96
OVER ONE YEAR	157	\$124,950.62
OVER TWO YEARS	138	\$76,225.12
OVER THREE YEARS	681	\$480,206.95

=====

** TOTAL AGING	1,078	\$790,162.92
----------------	-------	--------------

## AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES

## COLLECTIONS WITH AGENCY:

CAN NOT BE INVOICED	0	\$0.00
CURRENT	15	\$5,713.63
1 - 30 DAYS	9	\$3,883.83
31 - 90 DAYS	4	\$9,056.39
91 - 180 DAYS	5	\$12,327.66
181 - 365 DAYS	41	\$40,273.98
OVER ONE YEAR	202	\$194,897.91

## COLLECTIONS WITH PRIVATE COLLECTIONS FIRM:

1 - 90 DAYS	0	\$0.00
91 - 180 DAYS	0	\$0.00
181 - 365 DAYS	0	\$0.00
OVER ONE YEAR	74	\$450,263.16

## AMOUNT UNDER PROTEST:

1 - 180 DAYS	0	\$0.00
181 - 365 DAYS	0	\$0.00
OVER ONE YEAR	2	\$74,765.54

=====

** TOTAL AGING	352	\$791,182.10
----------------	-----	--------------



ENF\_525U

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT  
CURRENT MONTH  
11/01/2001-11/30/2001

PAGE: 1  
DATE: 12/04/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	403	\$20,550.00
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	268	\$6,700.00
CREDITS	6	\$150.00-
		=====
TOTAL DUE		\$27,100.00

=====

PAID IN FULL	478	\$28,160.00-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	15	\$787.50-
ATTORNEY GENERAL COLLECTIONS	0	\$0.00
ATTORNEY GENERAL FEES	0	\$0.00
WRITE-OFFS	0	\$0.00
OVERPAYMENTS	7	\$285.00
REFUNDS	3	\$110.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
VOIDS	18	\$230.00-
NOT GUILTY	17	\$850.00-
DISMISSED BY ADMIN LAW	11	\$550.00-
DISMISSED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00



ENF\_525U

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT  
FISCAL YEAR TO DATE  
07/01/2001-11/30/2001

PAGE: 2  
DATE: 12/04/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	2,970	\$151,210.00
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	1,692	\$42,300.00
CREDITS	21	\$576.00-
		=====
TOTAL DUE		\$192,934.00

=====

PAID IN FULL	3,113	\$179,991.29-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	75	\$3,417.00-
ATTORNEY GENERAL COLLECTIONS	7	\$340.00-
ATTORNEY GENERAL FEES	7	\$170.00-
WRITE-OFFS	5	\$195.00-
OVERPAYMENTS	31	\$1,493.79
REFUNDS	21	\$1,155.00
RETURNED CHECKS	4	\$125.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	4	\$40.00
CREDITS	1	\$0.85-
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	7	\$350.00
CREDITS	2	\$250.00-
VOIDS	176	\$5,582.50-
NOT GUILTY	96	\$3,750.00-
DISMISSED BY ADMIN LAW	36	\$1,800.00-
DISMISSED BY ENFORCEMENT	9	\$450.00-



ENF\_525U

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT  
INCEPTION TO DATE  
11/30/2001

PAGE: 3  
DATE: 12/04/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	93,032	\$4,729,337.07
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	22,721	\$568,327.80
CREDITS	21	\$7,876.00-
		=====
TOTAL DUE		\$5,289,788.87

=====

PAID IN FULL	54,394	\$2,863,160.89-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	1,432	\$65,392.90-
ATTORNEY GENERAL COLLECTIONS	12	\$590.00-
ATTORNEY GENERAL FEES	12	\$295.00-
WRITE-OFFS	5	\$195.00-
OVERPAYMENTS	1,075	\$29,285.21
REFUNDS	226	\$11,055.31
RETURNED CHECKS	69	\$3,650.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	69	\$1,125.00
CREDITS	170	\$157.63-
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	172	\$9,900.00
CREDITS	23	\$1,400.00-
VOIDS	5,232	\$222,940.23-
NOT GUILTY	1,091	\$54,475.00-
DISMISSED BY ADMIN LAW	118	\$6,000.00-
DISMISSED BY ENFORCEMENT	9	\$450.00-
		=====
TOTAL OUTSTANDING		\$2,129,747.74



## AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES FROM CITATION DATE

## COLLECTIONS WITH AGENCY:

CURRENT	176	\$8,600.00
1 - 30 DAYS	218	\$11,300.00
31 - 90 DAYS	474	\$24,780.00
91 - 180 DAYS	1,000	\$54,680.00
181 - 365 DAYS	938	\$68,253.00
OVER ONE YEAR	30,109	\$1,946,719.74

## COLLECTIONS WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL:

1 - 90 DAYS	0	\$0.00
91 - 180 DAYS	0	\$0.00
181 - 365 DAYS	0	\$0.00
OVER ONE YEAR	205	\$15,415.00

## AMOUNT UNDER PROTEST:

1 - 180 DAYS	0	\$0.00
181 - 365 DAYS	0	\$0.00
OVER ONE YEAR	0	\$0.00

=====

** TOTAL AGING	33,120	\$2,129,747.74
----------------	--------	----------------

## AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES FROM HEARING DATE

PREHEARING	549	\$27,900.00
0 - 90 DAYS	2,847	\$144,785.00
91 - 180 DAYS	867	\$63,183.00
181 - 270 DAYS	323	\$24,225.00
271 - 365 DAYS	44	\$3,055.00
OVER ONE YEAR	28,490	\$1,866,599.74

=====

** TOTAL AGING	33,120	\$2,129,747.74
----------------	--------	----------------





## Sections

- Home
- Top News Stories
- Hunt-Fish-Reports
- Mixed Bag
- Best Buck Winners
- Conservation Links
- Classifieds
- Outdoor Calendar
- Lake Feature
- Resort Areas
- SUBSCRIPTIONS
- Archives
- Outdoor News Staff
- Message Board

## Outdoor News - Top News Stories

Nov

**DNR proposal targets spinning-wing decoys**

By Shawn Perich  
Field Editor

St. Paul — The Minnesota DNR is seeking legislation to place a two-year moratorium on the use of mechanical-winged decoys and similar devices. The ban would begin in 2002 and extend until Dec. 31, 2003. The agency also is initiating a study of the decoys to evaluate the effectiveness and harvest rates on ducks, especially on resident birds. DNR Wildlife Director Tim Bremicker says a primary concern is whether the use of the decoys leads to increased harvest rates.

"From anecdotal information and from studies in Missouri and California, we know the mechanical-winged decoys are effective and more effective than traditional means of taking, such as using calls and decoys," says Bremicker.

While the increased effectiveness may appeal to some hunters, those Minnesota hunters who enjoy shooting ducks throughout a 45- to 60-day season may face restrictions if the decoys are allowed. In order to make up for the increased harvest, Bremicker says waterfowl managers would have to consider lowering bag limits or reducing season length.

Another concern for Bremicker is the issue of fair chase. He says live decoys were outlawed more than 50 years ago because they were considered so effective as to be an unfair advantage for hunters.

The new decoys mimic the motions of live birds. Also, the decoys may be so effective that they diminish the chances of hunters who are not using them.

"Hunters may be compelled to acquire a machine just to compete with other hunters who are using them," Bremicker said.

In 2000, the DNR estimated that about 10 percent of the state's duck hunters were using the device. Bremicker says it is likely that the number of hunters using them at least doubled in 2001. He wants to study and discuss the use of the decoys now, before they proliferate and possibly influence the state's seasons and bag limits.

"Minnesota hunters have worked diligently to maintain and expand hunting opportunities with habitat conservation," Bremicker says.

"They have a stake in this discussion."



[back to home page](#)

TO: WILDLIFE & FISHERIES  
COMMISSION MEMBERS

For Your Information.

Phil Bowman  
11/27/2001



# Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

# NEWS RELEASE

James H. Jenkins Jr.  
Secretary



CONTACT  
225/765-2925

2001-286

12-4-01

## AGENDA REVISED FOR DEC. 6 COMMISSION MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6, 2001, in the Louisiana Room at the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Building at 2000 Quail Drive in Baton Rouge. The amended agenda follows:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001
3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report
5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November
6. Resolution - Maurepas Swamp WMA, Western Tract
7. Resolution - Atchafalaya Delta WMA
8. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season
9. Division Report - Waterfowl Migration/Hunting
10. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
11. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
12. Public Comments
13. Adjournment

-30-

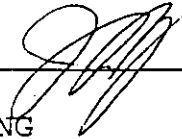
**EDITORS:** For more information, contact Marianne Burke at 225/765-2917  
([burke\\_mm@wlf.state.la.us](mailto:burke_mm@wlf.state.la.us)).



December 4, 2001

NEWS RELEASE

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_



AMENDED AGENDA FOR COMMISSION MEETING

The next regular public board meeting has been scheduled by the Commission for 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, December 6, 2001, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001
3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report
5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November
6. Resolution - Maurepas Swamp WMA, Western Tract
7. Resolution - Atchafalaya Delta WMA
8. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season
9. Division Report - Waterfowl Migration/Hunting
10. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
11. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
12. Public Comments
13. Adjournment



# Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

## NEWS RELEASE

James H. Jenkins Jr.  
Secretary



CONTACT  
225/765-2923

2001-284

11-29-01

### AGENDA REVISED FOR DEC. 6 COMMISSION MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6, 2001, in the Louisiana Room at the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Building at 2000 Quail Drive in Baton Rouge. The amended agenda follows:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001
3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report
5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November
6. Resolution - Maurepas Swamp WMA, Western Tract
7. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season
8. Division Report - Waterfowl Migration/Hunting
9. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
10. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
11. Public Comments
12. Adjournment

-30-

**EDITORS:** For more information, contact Marianne Burke at 225/765-2917  
([burke\\_mm@wlf.state.la.us](mailto:burke_mm@wlf.state.la.us)).



Resolution -  
Maurepas Swamp  
WMA, Western  
Tract

November 28, 2001

NEWS RELEASE

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

AGENDA FOR COMMISSION MEETING

11-29-01

public board meeting has been scheduled by  
0 A.M. on Thursday, December 6, 2001, at the  
Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

added by R. Myers  
11/28/2001 - 1:00 PM  
(approved by Mr. Battle -  
Dr. Stone out of state)

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001
3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report
5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November
6. Resolution - Maurepas Swamp WMA, Western Tract
7. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season
8. Division Report - Waterfowl Migration/Hunting
9. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
10. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
11. Public Comments
12. Adjournment



Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

# NEWS RELEASE

James H. Jenkins Jr.  
Secretary



CONTACT  
225/765-2923

2001-278

11-27-01

## AGENDA SET FOR DEC. 6 COMMISSION MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 6, 2001, in the Louisiana Room at the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Building at 2000 Quail Drive in Baton Rouge. The agenda follows:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of Nov. 1, 2001
3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report
5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November
6. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season
7. Division Report - Waterfowl Migration/Hunting
8. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
9. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
10. Public Comments
11. Adjournment

-30-

**EDITORS:** For more information, contact Marianne Burke at 225/765-2917  
([burke\\_mm@wlf.state.la.us](mailto:burke_mm@wlf.state.la.us)).



# State of Louisiana



James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries  
Post Office Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000  
(225) 765-2800  
November 27, 2001

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman and Members of Commission  
FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
SUBJECT: December Commission Meeting Agenda

The next regular Commission meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, December 6, 2001, in the Louisiana Room at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

The following items will be discussed:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001

## OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & FINANCE

3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report

## WINTON VIDRINE

5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November

## OFFICE OF WILDLIFE

6. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season

## OFFICE OF FISHERIES

(None)



Page 2  
Commission Meeting  
November 27, 2001

DIVISION REPORT

7. Waterfowl Migration/Hunting
8. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
9. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
10. Public Comments

JHJ:sch

cc: Jim Patton  
Phil Bowman  
John Roussel  
Craig Lamendola  
Don Puckett  
Dennis Kropog  
Ewell Smith  
Division Chiefs  
Marianne Burke



November 27, 2001

NEWS RELEASE

APPROVED: 

AGENDA FOR COMMISSION MEETING

The next regular public board meeting has been scheduled by the Commission for 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, December 6, 2001, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001
3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report
5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November
6. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season
7. Division Report - Waterfowl Migration/Hunting
8. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
9. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
10. Public Comments
11. Adjournment



Approved by Dr.  
Stone 11/20/2001-

C O V E R



FAX

S H E E T

**To:** Dr. Stone  
**Fax #:** 216-3175  
**Subject:** Agenda  
**Date:** November 20, 2001  
**Pages:** 3, including this cover sheet.

COMMENTS:

Please call me after you have reviewed the attached agenda for the December Commission Meeting. Thanks and hope you have a Happy Thanksgiving!!

From the desk of...

Susan Hawkins

La. Dept. Of Wildlife & Fisheries  
P. O. Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000

225-765-2806  
Fax: 225-765-0948



, 2001

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman and Members of Commission  
FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
SUBJECT: December Commission Meeting Agenda

The next regular Commission meeting will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, December 6, 2001, in the Louisiana Room at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA.

The following items will be discussed:

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes of November 1, 2001

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT & FINANCE

3. Employee Recognition Awards Presentation
4. 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report

WINTON VIDRINE

5. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/November

OFFICE OF WILDLIFE

6. Rule Ratification - 2002 Turkey Season

OFFICE OF FISHERIES

(None)



Page 2  
Commission Meeting  
, 2001

DIVISION REPORT

7. Waterfowl Migration/Hunting
8. Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman
9. Set April 2002 Meeting Date
10. Public Comments

JHJ:sch

cc: Jim Patton  
Phil Bowman  
John Roussel  
Craig Lamendola  
Don Puckett  
Dennis Kropog  
Ewell Smith  
Division Chiefs  
Marianne Burke



## **Hawkins, Susan**

---

**From:** Patton, James  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 20, 2001 11:36 AM  
**To:** Hawkins, Susan  
**Subject:** Commission meeting for December

Susan: I would like to add a brief presentation of the 2001 Customer Service Assessment Report to the agenda.



Employee Recognition  
Awards Presentation-  
Jim Patton

(Wynnette called 11/19/01  
to add to Dec. agenda.)

State of Louisiana



Department of Wildlife & Fisheries  
Post Office Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000  
(225) 765-2800  
November 2, 2001

To: Susan H.

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

MEMORANDUM

TO: Undersecretary, Assistant Secretary-Office of Wildlife,  
Assistant Secretary-Office of Fisheries and Confidential  
Assistant

FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary

SUBJECT: Commission Meeting Agenda - December 6, 2001

Please write on the bottom of this memo and return to Susan Hawkins by Monday, November 19th any agenda items your office may have for the Thursday, December 6th Commission Meeting to be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive. This meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. on December 6th. If you do not have anything for the agenda, please return memo and indicate so on the bottom of this memo. We cannot add anything to the agenda that requires commission action after we have published the agenda in the state journal.

Resolutions and Notices of Intent should be included with the list of items to be placed on the agenda. Thank you for your cooperation!

JHJ/sch

cc: Commissioners  
Don Puckett  
Winton Vidrine  
Tommy Prickett ✓  
Bennie Fontenot  
Karen Foote  
Wynnette Kees  
Brandt Savoie  
Ewell Smith  
Marianne Burke

Ratify Turkey Season - Tommy P.

Division Report - ~~Wynnette Kees~~ R. H. H. H.  
Wynnette Migration/Hunting



# State of Louisiana



James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries  
Post Office Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000  
(225) 765-2800  
November 2, 2001

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Undersecretary, Assistant Secretary-Office of Wildlife,  
Assistant Secretary-Office of Fisheries and Confidential  
Assistant

FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary

SUBJECT: Commission Meeting Agenda - December 6, 2001

Please write on the bottom of this memo and return to Susan Hawkins by Monday, November 19th any agenda items your office may have for the **Thursday, December 6th** Commission Meeting to be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive. This meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. on December 6th. If you do not have anything for the agenda, please return memo and indicate so on the bottom of this memo. We cannot add anything to the agenda that requires commission action after we have published the agenda in the state journal.

Resolutions and Notices of Intent should be included with the list of items to be placed on the agenda. Thank you for your cooperation!

JHJ/sch

cc: Commissioners  
Don Puckett  
Winton Vidrine ✓  
Tommy Prickett  
Bennie Fontenot  
Karen Foote  
Wynnette Kees  
Brandt Savoie  
Ewell Smith  
Marianne Burke

*Enf. Report!*  
*W.V.*



# State of Louisiana



James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries  
Post Office Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000  
(225) 765-2800  
November 2, 2001

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Undersecretary, Assistant Secretary-Office of Wildlife,  
Assistant Secretary-Office of Fisheries and Confidential  
Assistant

FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary

SUBJECT: Commission Meeting Agenda - December 6, 2001

Please write on the bottom of this memo and return to Susan Hawkins by Monday, November 19th any agenda items your office may have for the **Thursday, December 6th** Commission Meeting to be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive. This meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. on December 6th. If you do not have anything for the agenda, please return memo and indicate so on the bottom of this memo. We cannot add anything to the agenda that requires commission action after we have published the agenda in the state journal.

Resolutions and Notices of Intent should be included with the list of items to be placed on the agenda. Thank you for your cooperation!

JHJ/sch

cc: Commissioners  
Don Puckett  
Winton Vidrine  
Tommy Prickett  
Bennie Fontenot ✓  
Karen Foote  
Wynnette Kees  
Brandt Savoie  
Ewell Smith  
Marianne Burke

*Dear Susan:*  
*I have no Inland Fisheries*  
*Division item for the December*  
*Commission meeting. I have.*  
*Bennie*



# State of Louisiana



James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries  
Post Office Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000  
(225) 765-2800  
November 2, 2001

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Undersecretary, Assistant Secretary-Office of Wildlife,  
Assistant Secretary-Office of Fisheries and Confidential  
Assistant

FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary

SUBJECT: Commission Meeting Agenda - December 6, 2001

Please write on the bottom of this memo and return to Susan Hawkins by Monday, November 19th any agenda items your office may have for the Thursday, December 6th Commission Meeting to be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive. This meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. on December 6th. If you do not have anything for the agenda, please return memo and indicate so on the bottom of this memo. We cannot add anything to the agenda that requires commission action after we have published the agenda in the state journal.

Resolutions and Notices of Intent should be included with the list of items to be placed on the agenda. Thank you for your cooperation!

JHJ/sch

cc: Commissioners  
Don Puckett  
Winton Vidrine  
Tommy Prickett  
Bennie Fontenot  
Karen Foote  
Wynnette Kees  
Brandt Savoie  
Ewell Smith  
Marianne Burke ✓

*Nothing for Public Information*  
*Mae Burke*



## Hawkins, Susan

---

**From:** Foote, Karen  
**Sent:** Monday, November 19, 2001 4:26 PM  
**To:** Roussel, John E  
**Cc:** Porch, Pat; Hawkins, Susan; Abbott, Janet  
**Subject:** December 2001 Commission

At this time, Marine Fisheries has no December agenda items.



# State of Louisiana



James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries  
Post Office Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000  
(225) 765-2800  
November 2, 2001

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Undersecretary, Assistant Secretary-Office of Wildlife,  
Assistant Secretary-Office of Fisheries and Confidential  
Assistant

FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary

SUBJECT: Commission Meeting Agenda - December 6, 2001

Please write on the bottom of this memo and return to Susan Hawkins by Monday, November 19th any agenda items your office may have for the **Thursday, December 6th** Commission Meeting to be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive. This meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. on December 6th. If you do not have anything for the agenda, please return memo and indicate so on the bottom of this memo. We cannot add anything to the agenda that requires commission action after we have published the agenda in the state journal.

Resolutions and Notices of Intent should be included with the list of items to be placed on the agenda. Thank you for your cooperation!

JHJ/sch

cc: Commissioners  
Don Puckett  
Winton Vidrine  
Tommy Prickett  
Bennie Fontenot  
Karen Foote  
Wynnette Kees  
Brandt Savoie ✓  
Ewell Smith  
Marianne Burke

*None  
Brandt*



# State of Louisiana



James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries  
Post Office Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000  
(225) 765-2800  
November 2, 2001

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

## MEMORANDUM

TO: ✓ Undersecretary, Assistant Secretary-Office of Wildlife,  
Assistant Secretary-Office of Fisheries and Confidential  
Assistant

FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary

SUBJECT: Commission Meeting Agenda - ~~December 6, 2001~~

Please write on the bottom of this memo and return to Susan Hawkins by Monday, November 19th any agenda items your office may have for the **Thursday, December 6th** Commission Meeting to be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive. This meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. on December 6th. If you do not have anything for the agenda, please return memo and indicate so on the bottom of this memo. We cannot add anything to the agenda that requires commission action after we have published the agenda in the state journal.

Resolutions and Notices of Intent should be included with the list of items to be placed on the agenda. Thank you for your cooperation!

JHJ/sch

cc: Commissioners  
Don Puckett  
Winton Vidrine  
Tommy Prickett  
Bennie Fontenot  
Karen Foote  
Wynnette Kees  
Brandt Savoie  
Ewell Smith  
Marianne Burke

NOTHING FOR DECEMBER MEETING



# State of Louisiana



James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

Department of Wildlife & Fisheries  
Post Office Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000  
(225) 765-2800  
November 2, 2001

M.J. "Mike" Foster, Jr.  
Governor

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Undersecretary, Assistant Secretary-Office of Wildlife,  
Assistant Secretary-Office of Fisheries and Confidential  
Assistant

FROM: James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary

SUBJECT: Commission Meeting Agenda - December 6, 2001

Please write on the bottom of this memo and return to Susan Hawkins by Monday, November 19th any agenda items your office may have for the **Thursday, December 6th** Commission Meeting to be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at the Wildlife and Fisheries Building, 2000 Quail Drive. This meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. on December 6th. If you do not have anything for the agenda, please return memo and indicate so on the bottom of this memo. We cannot add anything to the agenda that requires commission action after we have published the agenda in the state journal.

Resolutions and Notices of Intent should be included with the list of items to be placed on the agenda. Thank you for your cooperation!

JHJ/sch

cc: Commissioners  
Don Puckett  
Winton Vidrine  
Tommy Prickett  
Bennie Fontenot  
Karen Foote  
Wynnette Kees  
Brandt Savoie  
Ewell Smith  
Marianne Burke